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FALL CITY.

A Gala Week—The City's Visitors Emancipation Celebration—Death of a Prominent Man—Church Lodge and Other Points.

Louisville, Ky, Special to The Freeman.

THE West End "Stag" club gave their initial entertainment at Solomon's Temple on last Thursday evening, and was an elegant affair. Their menu was composed of the finest, and the toasts of twenty voices were, "Eat, drink and be merry." Among those present were A. C. Morton, pres.; Charles Moore, vice-president; Randolph Schaefer, secretary; Stephen Washington, assistant secretary; Edward Masterson, treasurer; G. Brown, assistant treasurer; Messrs. J. Combs, W Kean, G. Evans, A. Lyton, G Rodgers, J. L. Thomas Solomon Stone and others. An enjoyable time was had. Mmes Langston and Stewart kept open doors on New Year's day at their respective residences. They were assisted by many lady friends. The Twenty ninth Anniversary of the Emancipation of slavery was held at Liederkranz hall on New Year's night, under the auspices of Asbury and Quinn Chapels. Hon. J. M Townsend, of Richmond, Ind., made an able address to a large audience, notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather. A financial success was the result. Temple No. 5, S. M. T., will hold their installation Jan 13th. National Mutual Aid Association policies issued this week are as follows: Wm. A. and Edward Taylor, Lexington, Ky.; Wm. Watkins, Hopkinsville, Ky.; Martha and B Johnson and Edward Holmes, Frankfort, Ky; Evaline Stewart find Emma Simpson, Stanford, Ky. Mrs. Sarah Harris has returned from Atlanta, Ga. Miss P. H. Fitzbutler has returned from Chicago. The St. James Old Folds' Home elected the following officers last month for the ensuing year: T. Hankins, president; John Gaddie, vice-president; Wm. Rankins, secretary; W. H Ward, general manager. A large number of the old folks of the home are sick and very needy. D. D. Hunter has returned home after a week's visit in Indianapolis. Mrs Eliza Harper left for her home in Chicago Monday, after a pleasant stay in the city a few days. Isaac Harper and wife entertained a dozen young ladies at their residence on last Thursday evening. Mrs. Emma Reynolds, of Paducah, Ky., left for her home last week. Miss Elenora Shanks, of Pine Bluff, Ark., spent the holidays in the city. Rev. R T Andersen is ill with la grippe. Miss Maria Brown has returned from a week's visit at Owensboro, Ky. Miss Georgia Nugent has returned from Georgetown, Ky. Miss L Gibson has returned from Paducah. T. A. Kennedy has gone to Richmond, Ky., where he will reside Miss Maria Roxborough spent a few days at Cincinnati last week. Miss Nannie Patterson is improving. Mrs Mary Roberts has returned from a visit to Indianapolis. Mrs. C. C Jones is spending a fortnight at Springfield, Ky. Misses Katie and Rachael Alexander entertained friends on New Year's eve. Miss Mary Britton was in the city this week, the guest of Prof J. M Maxwell; also Mrs Thomas Britton, of Lexington, Ky. Mrs. S. Alexander is ill. Mr. and Mrs. Caldwell entertained a few friends last Friday night. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Sanders, Mrs. Emma Reynolds, of Paducah, and Mrs. Eliza Harper, of Chicago and others. Messrs. Waring, Adams, Gunn and Townsend, of Chicago, were in the city last week. Mrs. F. Cisco, of Cleveland, Ohio, spent a few days in our city this week. Miss J. Welch, of Elizabethtown, Ky., is in the city, the guest of Mrs. J. L. Davis. Miss Edith Mordecai, of St. Louis, Mo., left last Saturday for her home. Mrs. Ella Boston, J. H. Taylor, Hattie Johnson, James Kelly, F. Staten, Mrs Lewis, Hannah Dupee and Julia Duson are among the sick. Thomas Cross, of Lexington, Ky., is in the city. The "Pink Rose Socials" will give their annual party February 26th Miss Daisy Simms, of Cincinnati, Ohio, was in the city last week, the guest of C. W. Holmes and wife. Mrs. Isaac Maxwell, of Evansville, Ind., was in the city last week, the guest of Miss Charlotte Bryant. Miss Minnie Smith, of St. Louis, Mo., was the guest of Miss Blanche Jackson, last week. L. N. Denby has gone to Frankfort, Ky. Miss Hattie Cook has gone to Frankfort, Ky to visit her mother, who is very ill. Richard B Harrison, the elocutionist and dramatic reader, entertained a large audience at Quinn Chapel on last Tuesday evening. Night schools open January 11th. Wait for the Dumas Literary club entertainment, which will take place at an early date. W H Lawson and wife have returned from Lebanon, Ky. Miss Emma R Branche has returned from a pleasant visit to Cincinnati, O. P H Alexander and John Crutcher are convalescent. Albert Mack has returned from Cincinnati. John Roundtree has returned from Lebanon, Ky, where he attended the funeral of his grandmother. Mrs. Frances Ferguson has returned from Danville, Ky, where she attended the funeral of her sister. Mrs A J Bell and Misses Mary Trotter, Alice Smith and Eliza Heath, all county school teachers, spent the holidays here with friends and relatives. Charles Davis, of Cincinnati, Ohio, was in the city this week visiting friends. Mrs M Baily has gone to Indianapolis, Ind., where she will spend a few weeks with friends. Alexander Payne has returned from Kansas City. J D Watson, a prominent business man and well known citizen, died at the residence of Mrs V A Fox, Thursday, with la grippe. He was a member of many benevolent societies and lodges. He was in his 30th year. He had been business manager of the V A Fox undertaking establishment for a number of years, and was a wide awake and industrious man. He leaves a mother and a host of friends. Prof Benj Johnson has returned to Birmingham, Ala, after a few day's visit to relatives. Ernest Orsburn, of Indianapolis, was in the city this week visiting. Mrs C M Moore has recovered from a severe attack of la grippe. Miss Minnie Crutchfield, of Cecelia, Ky, spent the holidays with relatives in the city. 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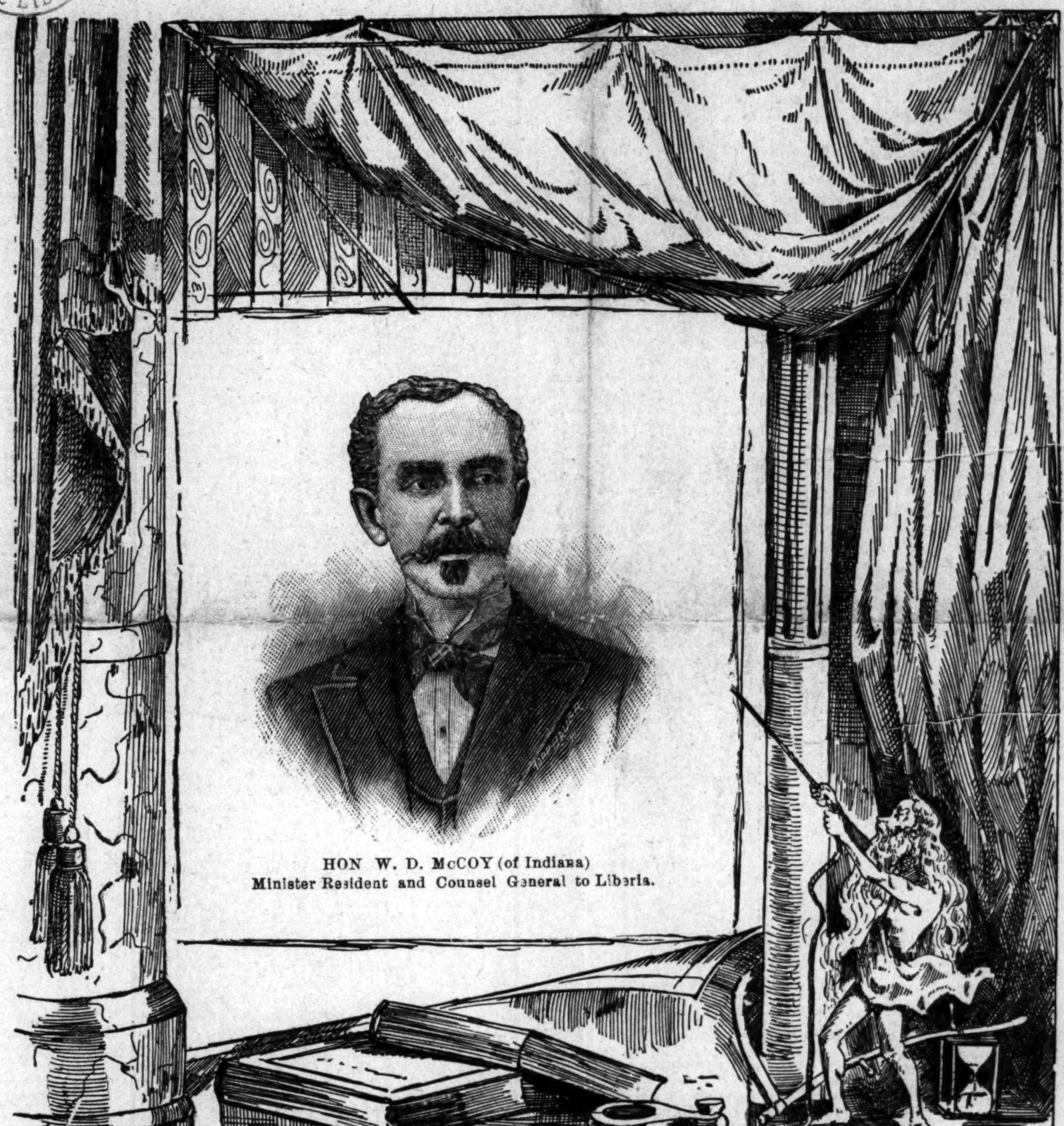


HON W. D. McCOY (of Indiana)
Minister Resident and Counsel General to Liberia.

Danville, Va

Christmas services were held in all the churches. Mrs Ada Buford gave an entertainment at the Baptist church for the benefit of that church. The marriage of Tom Thumb was the special attraction. All of the county teachers are in the city. Mr. John Allen, of Arkansas, passed through the city enroute to Amelia Co. Va., in search of his relatives, from whom he was separated 28 years ago. Mr. W. P. Swan and lady, of Kansas City, Mo, are in the city visiting relatives and friends. Mrs. Carrie Daniels is in the city.

Oberlin Ohio.

Miss Jinka Robinson is quite ill. Rev. Tolliver spent Sunday in Cleveland. Mr. Charles Smith is visiting in Cleveland. The young men and others present, extended their hearty thanks to the young ladies, who so delightfully entertained them, at the residence of Mrs. Evans' Friday evening. Mr. and Mrs Lucas, of Salem O., visited Mrs. John Russell last week. Miss Minnie Mitchell is visiting in Chicago. A reception was given in honor of Miss Cora Higgins, at the residence of Mrs. A. Hayson last week A delightful Xmas, entertainment was given Thursday evening, at Town hall, for the benefit of the Rust Sunday school. Its success is due to management of Misses Lee and Russell.

Scalded to Death by Falling in a Bath Tub.

Jefferson City, Mo., Special to The Freeman.

Among the persons visiting the capital, are Prof. J. M. Mozee, of Liberty, Mo., the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Dupee. Misses Ida B. Saum and Stella Branham, who are teaching at Marshall are spending the holidays here with their parents and friends. Miss Florence Lett, of Allegam, Mich., the guest of Miss Julia Barnes. Mrs. Emma London, who has been visiting her parents has gone to Paris her home. Miss Anna Dunning spent part of the holidays in the city, thence to Clinton, Mo. Miss Daisy Dupee is spending Christmas at home. Miss Lela Perkins of Sedalia is visiting relatives and friends here. Rev. John Lane who has been sick for the last three months is out again. Mr. Harrison Ramsey Sr. has been very sick but is convalescent. The Baptist Sunday School gave a concert and Christmas tree, the concert comprised many excelent features. The X. L. C. R. and young ladies society of Lincoln Institute gave a concert and Christmas tree on the 25th The programe was very interesting. The music was furnished by "The Nellie Bly Orchestra." An entertainment and Christmas tree was given at the A. M. E. Church on the 28th. Miss Julia Barnes entertained a few friends at her residence Christmas. Games of amusements were indulged in and a luncheon was served. Mr. John Mason after lingering with consumption died at the residence of Rev. John Lane, Dec. 19th. He was a Free Mason. The remains was shipped to Portland, Mo. for burial. Prof. W. R. Lawton lost his little son Willie on the 26th under sad circumstances, while playing around the bath tub, he accidently fell into it and was badly scalded. He died from the effects twenty-four hours later. The body was shipped to St. Louis for burial. The Masonic Annual Sermon was preached by J. S. Dorsey of the Baptist church last Sunday afternoon. The collection was Twenty-five dollars. The Wedding bells are ringing, marriages are an very day occurrence here.

A Woman will be Hanged—A Boy Shoots An Assailant.

Danville, Va., Special to The Freeman.

Rev. E. H. Baldwin, of the Lynn Street A. M. E. church, preached the Masonic Anniversary sermon Dec 27th. Prof. C. J. Daniels and lady, of the V. N and C. I, of Petersburg, Va., are in the city, visiting friends and relatives. David Cosby, of the Richmond Institute, is in the city visiting relatives. He preached at the High Street church Dec. 27th. N. C. Bruce, who is attending Bates College, in Maine, is visiting friends here. Jesse Dawson, of Shaw University, Raleigh, N. C., is visiting in the city. Miss Isabelle Bidenburg is very ill at Brosville, Va. Joseph Graves, who keeps a restaurant, shot at William Adams, a rough of this city. The ball missed Adams and lodged in the arm of one of his waiters A young colored man employed as a porter in a store delivered some goods purchased at the store by a white woman. The rule of the store is not to leave goods unless the parties sign for them and the boy would not leave the goods. The woman claimed the boy (Jones), was saucy, and her husband went to the store, called for Jones and commenced to beat him over the head with a stick, when Jones drew a revolver and shot twice at him. The woman that persuaded James Lylies to kill her husband last year, will be hanged Jan 22d. Tom. Thumb's marriage took place December 23rd Edward Garland spent his christmas in the country with his brother. Henry Hubbard, of Winston, spent the holidays in this place. Travis Reed, of Roanoake, Va., is spending a few days in the city. Rev. Charles Coleman, of Halifax, Va., is in the city. The Holbrook Street church had a christmas tree; also the A. M. E. church. The High Street church gave an entertainment at Odd Fellows' hall the 28th, ult. The Royal League club gave an entertainment at Odd Fellows' hall. George Inge, of Charlottsville, Va., spent a few days in the city last week, visiting relatives. James P. Callaway, of Roanoake, was in the city last week. Wm. Hagan, of Howard University, Washington, D. C., spent the holidays with his brother, Prof. Hagan, principal of the public schools of North Danville. The Emancipation was celebrated with exercises at the Loyal Street Baptist church, Revs. Carr and Tancy opened the exercises. Rev. E. H. Bolden, orator of the day, gave us a most excellent talk on the progress of the Negro since his emancipation. A committee of fifteen was appointed to organize for next year. Oscar Duger has opened a restaurant at 122 Craighead street. Mrs. Inge is ill.

Wedding Bells.

Chicago, Ill., Special to The Freeman.

The marriage of G. B. Grayson to Rosa Williams, December 17th was a very brilliant affair. The cermeny was performed at the residence of the brides parents, 2186 State St. The bride was arrayed in white satin with pearls and natural flowers. Miss Leota Peterson, bridesmaid, wore a train of pink India silk, trimmed with muslin. R. A. Lamar jr. acted as best man. Covers were laid for thirty. Many useful presents were received. N. B. write on one side of the paper only. (Ed.)

Greenville, Ala.

The marriage of Miss Docia Coldwill, of this city, and Mr. B. T. Cook, of Milview, Fla., took place at the Methodist church on the 27th inst. Rev. M. Jackson officiating. The reception was held at the bride's mother's They left the same evening for points in Florida, and will make Milview their future home. Mrs. Carrie Herbert and Webb Herbert died recently. The ladies of St. Paul church gave an entertainment Monday and Tuesday night.

THE SENATE

Confirms the Nomination of Durham—Congressman Cheatham Assigned to Important Committees—A Prospect that Congressman Miller may be Seated.

Washington, D. C. Special to The Freeman.

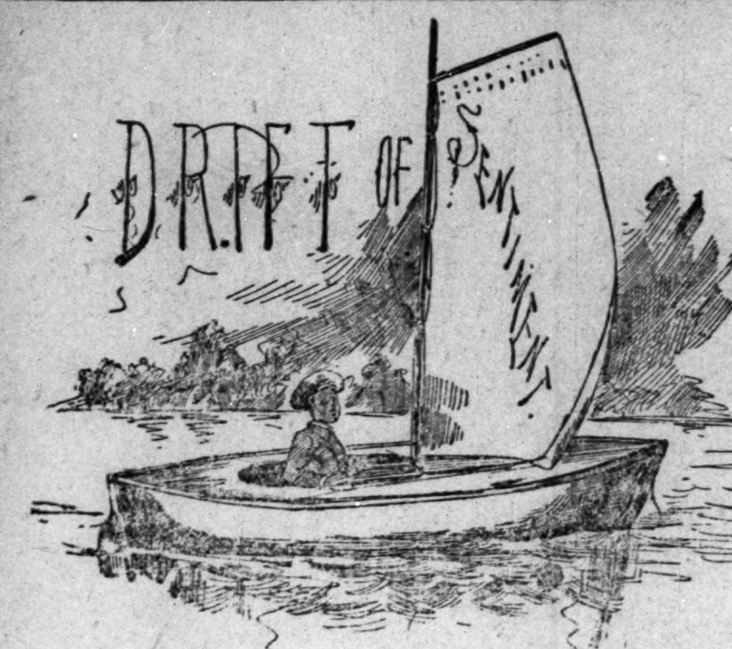
THE SENATE confirmed the nomination of Hon. John S. Durham of Philadelphia, as minister to Hayti on Wednesday the 23rd, just in time for a christmas gift to the young diplomat. Hon. Henry Plummer Cheatham the only colored representative in the present congress was as to the following committees of the house: Committee on Education of which he was a member in the last congress, committee on expenditures of the Agricultural Department, and also of the committee on the expenditures for public buildings. There is a faint possibility that Congressman Miller may be allowed the seat which rightfully belongs to him The House has finally met and organized and the committees have been announced by the speaker, and the 52nd congress is ready for work, and as one steps into the public gallery of the house he cannot fail to mark the wonderful transformation, new scenes and new faces The new democratic speaker, Crisp will preside over the most important legislative body in the land for two years. Reed has been relegated to the floor, there to lead on the small but powerful band of Republicans, who escaped the landslide, Nov. before last. Cannon who took charge of all matters pertaining to appropriations McKinley of tariff fame, Rowel the popular and aggressive chairman of the Election committee. Butterworth, the accomplished Langston, the eloquent Miller are all missed from the Republican side For what death has failed to accomplish in the removal of popular men from the House, the tidal wave of Nov, 1890 did, and many favorites from the ranks of the Republican party, are seen no more We pass to the venerable body of senators and again we see that the presence of some of the most distinguished men in this body have been removed either by death, resignation, or a failure of the state legislature to return them. Foremost of these that are missed are George F Edmunds, of Ver; Blair of New Hampshire, W. M. M. Evarts, of New York, the scholarly Ingalls, and last but not least the able Plumb who was suddenly called from earth a few weeks ago. Reagen, Hampton and Wilson of Md, are gone from the Democratic side and their voices sunk into oblivion. In the place of all these great men from the Senate and House, are found representatives of the rising young generation of politician from the West and New England, Williams and Hoar, of Mass, Bryan of Nebraska are representatives of this caste of legislators who will shape this country's legislation in the future, A perfect landslide of bills is expected at this session, Mr. Holman and the Appropriation committee will endeavor to cut down the appropriations made by the 51st congress. But if they attempt to cut down the pension they will loose the soldier vote, They cannot attempt to cut down appropriations for war ships because this will hinder the construction of a first class navy, which has been begun, So it can be seen that the Democrats are in a "fix" and if they resort to any trickery this session, their claims for success next fall, which are very slim now, will be lost entirely, Mr. Du Bois one of our most distinguished college graduates of Howard College, read a very interesting historical research before the National Historical Association, which was in session here last week, His subject was "Slave Trade" and he handled it skillfully and scholarly, His paper was well received and highly complimented by the leading papers here, There is trouble among our local editors, which is likely to last for some time, Mr. W. Calvin Chase editor of the "Bee" swore out a warrant against Messrs Sprague and J. E. Bruce, proprietor and editor respectively of the other colored Journal here, Mr. Case charges them with criminal libel, Messrs Sprague and Bruce appeared in the Police Court last week and gave bonds in the sum of $300. Mr. Andrew Gleason, going their bail, Mr. Gleason was a candidate along with Mr. Carson for the delegateship from the District next summer to the National Republican Convention and Mr. Chase is also going to run, so Mr. Gleason can at least count on the support of Sprague and Bruce in his fight for the ticket to the National Convention, Mr. Chase's friends claim that the publication of the article was done to injure Mr. Chase and defeat him for the convention, and Mr. Chase says that he will prosecute the case to the bitter end, We hope or the sake of the race and of harmony that as compromise may be affected which will be better for all concerned,

St. Charles, Mo.

James Wright, of St Louis, has been visiting his father. The funeral of A Bolden took place December 30th, from the A M E church, under Masonic auspices, Rev W T Orsburne, of Louisiana, officiating. P H Lea, of St Louis, is visiting his family. Miss M Bishop, of Jonesburg, is the guest of Miss M Jones. S Posten and B Baldwin are on the sick list.

Galveston, Tex.

A man was shot here on Christmas day by woman. A man under arrest on Christmas, died with the cramps. The city will be sued for damages. The Baptist church is having trouble with its minister.



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HAVE YOU SUFFERED ALSO BROTHER?

Some men fight others because they succeed, but if they fail, they say, "Ah, poor fellows, they deserved a better fate."—Petersburg Herald.

INCONTROVERTIBLE TRUTH.

A people united in their confidence n the peculiar fom of government under which they live, is the source of strength; but when they are discontented they feel no interest in a government that allows their just complaints to remain without the disposition or power to defend the oppressed it; can not take hold of the affections of the weaker masses, and whether from popular apathy the danger is not less eminent.—New Idea.

GOOD ADVICE.

Educate your children, and make yourselves independent, by getting wealth. With money and property comes the means of knowledge and power. A poverty stricken class will be an ignorant and despised class, and no amount of sentiment can make it otherwise. This part of our destiny is in our own hands. Every dollar laid up represents one day's independence, one day of rest and security in the future.—Elm City Gazette.

HOLD ON BROTHER LEWEY.

Revolutions in the arts, sciences or literature never go backward. "Truth crushed to the ground will rise again," with a degree of spontaneity that will eclipse all former endeavors. So it is with Afro-American Journals and literature. It is just as impossible to successfully clog the wheels of the onward march in this advancement of the race, as it is to command the sun to stand still and this command be obeyed.—Florida Sentinel.

SO IT IS.

If the conservative white people do not take hold of this race question in its every phase, and for the good of the whole country work a mighty reform, there is no telling how long this dread and terror of "strained relations" will disturb our peace and bid defiance to our prosperity. This race question is not a question of social equality, but a question of rights, of property, of citizenship of equity before the law,—J. A B. In Baptist Vanguard.

CAN EVEN JAW BACK TO THE MINISTER.

The colored people should go in and win; go up and possess the land. If we can be as industrious and saving as foreigners, we have American cleverness enough to come out ahead. A lot can be bought for the nominal price of one hundred and fifty or two hundred dollars, or even for less

Anybody with the least bit of grit can own a home in this country, any person can go to any church that suits him and can say what he pleases, anywhere, if his words be decent. But in some countries, if he even whispers the king's name, he will be beheaded.—Weekly Echo.

BROTHER MILLS DON'T THINK SO,

In electing judge Crisp as speaker for the 52nd Congress the Democrats evince that degree of sound judgement and keen forsightedness, which the Republicans have ever been slow to accredit them. We admire the eloquent Texan—Mills. We like that untiring persistency with which he attacks a thing. Like the Arabian courser once started he never stops till the end is reached and in his wake mountains become mole hills and Chinese walls straw fences. But it is no fault of his that Nature provided him with a hasty impulsive and excitable temperament and these unfit him for the exalted and even-poised position of speaker of the House, hence with uncovered head he must bow to the inevitable. Exit Roger Q.!—The Race Problem.

THE MISSION OF THE PRESS A GREAT ONE.

When consideration is made for the obstacles that the Negro journalists has had to overcome, the work that he has accomplished for his race, assumes the proportions of immensity. At every step in the line of march he has been tantalized by a class of people who boast of race pride, and yet every time a Negro steps out of the beaten track, they throw up both hands and with leather lungs shout, "There is no use for a colored man to try to do that!" I believe the time has come for us to quit hurling this old head hand kerchief shibboleth at each other Such old slavery talk is the sheerest humbug, but it has been preached so often that we almost believe it true The honest conscientious, well equipped journalist can do more for humanity and progress than the chronic office seeker led astray by the jack-o-lantern of politics.—Albert S. White, n The Pilot.

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TIGER-TEETH NECKLACES.

Very Odd Ornaments Worn by Savages —Ivory and Metal Arm Rings.

In examining the objects of ornament worn by savage, barbarous and civilized tribes, we find a marvelous variety of materials and designs. We are amazed at the ingenuity displayed in making the most unpromising materials into things of beauty, says a writer in the Popular Science Monthly. Teeth, claws, shells, pearls, bone, hair, ivory, feathers, beans, seeds, grasses, leaves, fibers of all kinds, crystals, metals—these are but a few of the many substances that man has learned to use, more or less effectively, in self-adornment.

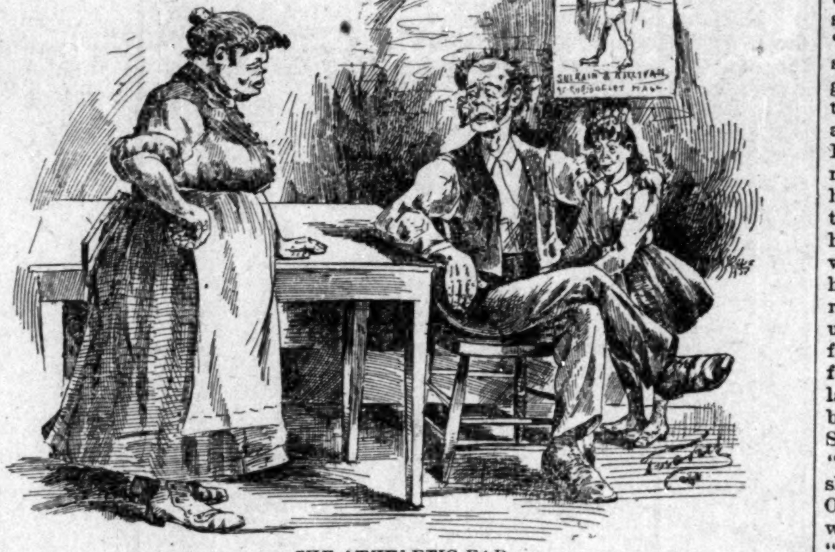
Necklaces are universal. Very simple are the garlands of red and yellow flowers, so popular throughout Polynesia. The whale-tooth necklaces of Samoa and the neighboring islands were really attractive, and were so highly valued that only kings and the most powerful chiefs could afford or dare to wear them. They consisted simply of the natural teeth perforated for stringing. They are now rare and seldom seen. Those at present used in the same district are lighter, more slender and artistic, but are made in England and sent out to the islands for trading.

An interesting neck ornament was the palaoa of the Hawaiians. It consisted of a carved and polished piece of bone and ivory attached to an elaborately braided decoration of black hair. This ornament was worn only by chiefs of high rank and had some talismanic virtue.

Among the necklaces from Australia are those consisting of kangaroo teeth strung on thread, and the carefully made and really beautiful ones composed of cassowary feathers. Necklaces of trophies of dangerous hunting are made by Indian hunters from claws of the royal Bengal tiger. From the same materials the skillful goldsmiths of India make marvels of beautiful work. Such a one lies before me. The claws are perfectly cleaned and polished, mounted in gold settings, and strung on a chain of gold.

Arm-bands and bracelets occur in great variety. Among the Kaffirs, and in the rest of Africa as well, a plain ivory arm-ring, in a single piece, is in common use. Such are easily made. The tusk of the elephant is hollow save near the small end. Toward the larger end the ivory sheath is thin and irregular, but it thickens and becomes solid toward the tip. All that is necessary to make the arm-bands is to remove the soft, vascular inner part and then cut the ivory into cross-sections, two or three inches wide. The rings thus made vary, of course, in size. After being cut they are carefully polished. With such rings the whole arm from wrist to elbow is often covered.

Schweinfurth describes a pretty ornament of metal rings—the dagobar—as in use among White Nile tribes. The individual rings are of iron and are narrow and neatly made. They are worn so closely together upon the arm as to make a continuous metal sheathing.



THE ATHELETIC FAD.

Husband—"D'ye hear, Bridget, you're so fat and round that the kid wants to use you for a sand-bag to harden her muscles on."

Bridget--"Bad cess to the saucy spalpeen Its enough to be bate on by you every Saturday night, without the brat trying her hand on me."

PARISIAN BEGGARS.

Their Apprenticeship and How It Is Served.

They Are a Keen and Desperate Company—The Societies Which Are Duped by Them—Domestic Beggar Life.

Beggars, says the Paris Temps, are regularly educated for their business like other tradesmen. Those who do not attempt to attract attention and alms by feigning bodily defects of all kinds begin by going from door to door begging gifts. A full-grown man could not do so unless he be afraid of labor, and, most commonly, given to drinking. He can ring the bells of about two hundred doors every morning, and as there is one good door to an average of every four, according to ordinary beggars' statistics, he will have received fifty gifts, mostly consisting of money, the rest of eatables. His working day is over about two in the afternoon, when he will dine upon the gifts received. The money he will spend at a "tingle tangle" in the evening.

The next morning he begins work at a distance from his beat of the preceding day great enough to avoid meeting the same policemen and tradesmen. He prefers to favor bakers and butchers with his custom and, if he has the tact to appear poor enough, he is generally fairly successful with them.

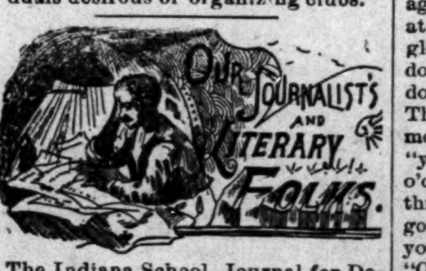
Having pursued this course of begging for six weeks, the fellow's apprenticeship is finished and he is made an assistant. He has now to decide whether he will be an ambulating or a stationary beggar. If he likes change of scenery and the exercise of walking he will select the former, otherwise he will be stationary, which, in a large city, is certainly the more profitable. Those among the stationary beggars who understand best how to play on the charitable feelings of the well to do do not go out at all, but receive their alms at home from families and charitable societies. These gifts are regular and make up a permanent and fair income. A well-trained beggar will keep books properly, and such a book of revenue and expenses is generally a curious thing to look at. Some society will supply the bread of the family; another the meat, the church or pastor will pay the rent, another society will clothe the children and send them to school, other societies will supply linen and clothes, will provide a laundry and so on. If judiciously managed such a beggar's family can be supported in a condition approaching great comfort, and a single day will often bring them a dozen visits of charitable people.

Nearly every beggar family, says the Temps, has a cupboard of dilapidated appearance, containing, say the people, a few rags to protect the children from cold and storms. But if examined it will be found filled with orders for all sorts of necessaries of life presented by private families or societies that make charity their aim. It also contains the writing materials of the beggar, with a number of specimens or formulas of begging letters, lists of names of charitable people and societies and an almanac showing the dates of meetings and banquets of charitable societies, of festivities and weddings of the rich and the places where such events will be celebrated. The cupboard is the regular business office of the beggar.

Sheep That Never Drink.

A stony, waterless region of France has evolved a race of animals that do not drink. The sheep, feeding upon the fragrant herbs, have altogether unlearned the habit of drinking and the cows drink very little. The much-esteemed Roquefort cheese is made from milk of the non-drinking ewes.

☛Have you a friend who removed from home and friends and to whom THE FREEMAN would bring happy hours? Only $1 00 per year until the 20th of January, at the urgent request of agents and individuals desirous of organizing clubs.


OUR JOURNALIST'S AND LITERARY FOLKS.

The Indiana School Journal for December, is as usual a valuable pamphlet

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The "Outlook," a Sabbath Quarterly published by the American Sabbath Tract Society, is as usual replete with interesting discussions of the Sabbath question. A "Chronology of the passion week," translated from the German by W. C. Dolan, is an extensive treatise of this topic, prefaces the interesting collection.

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The "Quarterly Bulletin," of Gammon Theological Seminary, contains English bible studies and special Seminary notes.

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"The African Repository," for January, an organ of the American Colonization society, contains interesting notes on "Africa and its missions.

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"True Love," by Sarah E Farrs, is a neatly bound volume and is a story of English domestic life. The story is interesting without being sensational, and arranged with superior mechanical clearness.

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"Africa and America," by Alex. Crumwell, D. D, previously mentioned in these columns, is now on sale. Persons desiring an agency should address the author, 1522 O street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

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"The Cosmopolitan" for January, devotes its first pages to the Christopher Columbus portraits. These portraits, twelve in number, display the varied conceptions held by the different artists who have vied with each other during the last two centuries on this subject. As usual with this excellent periodical, it is brim full of good things.

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A HEAVY COON.

How a Strong Man Was Played by a Party of Hunters.

"Kin" is a big, tall fellow of six feet three, and the build of a football guard, and he has the perfectly natural failing of priding himself on his strength—as other big men have had before him, says Forest and Stream. Consequently it is not to be wondered at that on this occasion he volunteered to carry what coons the party might kill. For this purpose he had brought along a guide-basket, and when the fallen monarch of coondom had given his last kick and been effectually convinced that he was dead it was placed in the basket and this was then raised to "Kin's" shoulders by the willing hands of his two companions. "Kin's" first impression when he once had his arms fairly through the straps was that the coon felt even heavier than it had looked, but he did not have much time to figure it out for Guy Ferguson, the wiry, the greyhound, the walking machine of bone and sinew, was under way and urging Hunter to find more grandfather coons. Up hill and down ledge they went at a rate that would have winded a champion six-day pedestrian, and it seemed to "Kin" that the coon grew heavier every step. He heartily regretted his bargain and wished time and again that the old coon was still safe in its tree—anywhere, in fact, but on his back. But wishing did no good and Lacy never slackened his pace. When they had gone a couple of miles "Kin" ventured to remark that the coon had the heft of a yearling steer. Guy promptly volunteered to carry the little thing if he "was tired" and "Kin" as promptly refused, but he never had been so badly used up—not even on that winter's day four years ago when he walked fifty-four miles on an empty stomach. At last daylight came and the hunters brought up in the quiet dawn of the Sunday morning at the Bay farm. "Kin" slipped the bag off his tired shoulders and let it fall to the ground. Out rolled the coon and a rock that would weigh twenty-four pounds. "Kin" looked around in a dazed way for an explanation, but the hunters had silently slipped away, leaving him to work out his own solution of the problem.

WORKED TO DEATH.

The Plumber's Assistant Turns in His Schedule for the Day.

I was standing in a plumber's office the other day, says a New York World writer, when in came one of the men to give in his time to the bookkeeper. It was about three o'clock in the afternoon, and Mike, removing his corn-colored gloves, was preparing to close accounts for that day's work. "Where did you go first?" asked the bookkeeper, in a voice of deep humility. "I took a carriage and went up to Widow Reed's in the Bowery, where I was asked to put three new tips on the burners." "How much time, Mike?" "Four hours." "As much as that?" said the man behind the desk, in a low tone, "If you talk to me that way I'll have you discharged," said the plumber's man. "Well, next I called a coach and went to West Fifteenth street, where I mended a leak in the bottom of a tea-kettle, which figures three hours, then fixed the stopcock on the washboiler, two hours and a half; turned on more pressure, two hours; total, seven hours' time." "Yes." "Then I ran over to Del's for a bite to eat, for I was very much fatigued, as you can readily imagine. Say, charge up two hours' time at Del's. Then I noticed a hole in my gloves, and of course that would never do, so I ran over to Brooklyn for a dozen new pairs. Add ten minutes more. That makes—say an even three hours more." "Let me see," mused the clerk, "you started out in a coupe at 10:30 o'clock?" "Yes." "And you quit at three?" "Why, certainly. Haven't I got to dress for a ball to-night?" "And you worked just eighteen hours' time?" "Oh, ho!" said the plumber's man, wearily, "I knew I forgot something. By Jove! Say, old chappie, coming back the L train was caught in a fog, and I lost three hours more getting in to report. Just allow the usual rates for that, will you, please? And now touch the button and call a coach and let me drive for an hour in Central park. By Jove! this strain is getting to be unendurable, to say the very least!"

THE FREEMAN'S HOTEL DIRECTORY

[The purpose of this column is to keep the traveling public informed of the whereabouts of first-class stopping places in the different cities where Afro-Americans can be accommodated. It is mutually beneficial to the public as well as to the keepers of hotels and boarding houses. THE FREEMAN aims to place none but first-class places in this Directory and feels free to recommend them to its 100,000 readers. Send us your card Send for our prices.]

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LOST RELATIVES.

Wanted the address of Drury Hutchinson, when last heard from he was at the Bingham House, Philadelphia, Penn, Address John P. Rogister, Red Bank, N. J.

I desire information concerning Nettie Davis, my sister, last heard from about two years ago, she was living in Jersey City Heights with her father, Thomas Davis. She is 18 years of age. Any information concerning her will be cheerfully received by Mrs. Francis Revey; Fair Haven New York.

I would like to find my brothers and sisters, whose names are Stephen, Albert, Robert, Booker, and Lucy Harris, we lived in Buckingham Co., Va., near Buckingham Court house. Our mother was named Rachael Harris and who had a brother by the name of Rev. Jessie Harris. My father was named Bill Rice. We lived in Jackson Co., Mo., near Independence before the war, and was owned by Bill Rice. Any information concerning any of these persons will be cheerfully received by Susan Harris, Hutchinson., Kans.

I desire to find relatives whom I have not seen since before the war. My name is Jane Chaster now, but at that time was Jane Tomlen I have brothers by name of Emmett and Willis Tomlen, and sisters named Rebecca, Polly and Sallie Tomlen. My grandmother was named Allie Fair. We belonged to a man named Gus Tomlen, at Camlen, Ala. Any information concerning them will be thankfully received. Address Aaron Johnson, Millvein, Fla.

I desire information concerning the following persons: Mrs. Phœbe Holman, my mother. left North Carolina with Balsey Person's white owners; My sister's name was Caroline Holman; my brother's name is James Holman They were in West Tennessee when last heard of. Any information will be gratefully received by Mrs. Rachel Richardson, formerly Holman, 113 Paris street Dallas Texas.

I would like to know the wereabouts of my mother. My original name was Francis Fuller, and I lived in Green county, Ga. My mother was taken from Daid county to the state of Louisiana. Her name was Mahalie Hall. My uncle, Dave Hall, and an aunt whose name was Julia Hall, was taken with her. Their mother, who was left in Green county, was named Menerva Hall. My mother has brothers in Green county by the name of Abraham and Sam Fuller. When taken away, my mother had two children, myself (Fannie Fuller) and my sister, Mary Fuller. This seperation occurred in 1845. Any information concerning these parties will be cheerfully received by Fannie Laster, 419 Edgewood Ave., Atanta, Ga.

I desire to know the whereabouts of my mother. Her name is, or was, Rachel Balkam, she was owned by one Balkam, of Twiggs county, Ga. I saw her last two or three years before the war in West Macon, Bibbs county, Ga.; she then had three children, Hannah, Allen and Louis. Anyone giving the desired information will confer a great favor and recieve my lasting gratitude. Address Lewis Williams, Searey, Ark.

Mrs. Rachel Richardson, of Dallas, Texas wants to know the whereabouts of her mother Feeley Holman. Her sister's name was Caroline Holman; her brothers' names were James and E. G. Holman. She first belonged to William Holman, a slave owner. Her mother was sold and sent to West Tennessee by Betsie Perison. My name was then Rachel Holman. Any information concerning these persons will be gladly received by Rachel Richardson, 113 Parrice street, Dallas, Tex.

I would like to know the wereabouts of my brother and sister, whom I have not seen since the war. They were last seen in Buffalo, Dallas Co., Mo. They went by the name of Charley Calison and Millie Calison. My brother was sold to a Negro Trader by the name of Wash Henson. Any information concerning their whereabouts will be thankfully received by Roberty Hughes, Pine Grove, Dallas Co., Ark.

Anybody knowing anything concerning Buel Chapman will be gladly received by Fannie Bousman, 188 E. Elm street, Columbus, O. I received letters from him in '71, and heard later that he was in the hospital at Caira, Ill., but since then I have never heard of him. A sister of his resides at the above address.

I would like to know the whereabouts of my brother, Morris Jackson, who belonged to Nute Miller of Cytham, Ky., his mother's name was Ellen Jackson. He left Catham, Ky., with Capt. Philsbury during the war. When last heard from, he was in Boston, Mass. Any information concerning him will be thankfully received by Margaret Miller, Springfield, Ohio.

I would like to find my brother, Thomas Jackson who left Cytham, Ky., during the war when last heard from, he was in California. He belonged to Nute Miller Any information concerning him will be thankfully received by Margaret Miller Springfield, Ohio.

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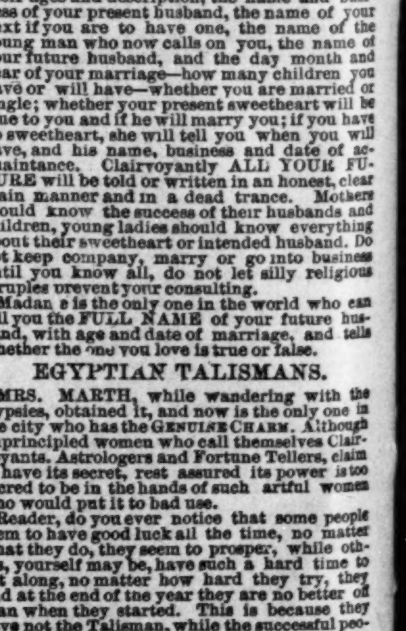

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RACE GLEANINGS

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Montgomery, Ala, has a colored dry goods firm.

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Rev Geo. W. Stacy, the anti-slavery agitator, died recently.

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Murfresboro, Tenn, celebrated the Emancipation Jan. 1st.

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Pennsylvania colored people are being annoyed by counterfeiters.

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Wm. H. Randolph has been admitted to practice at the Pittsburg bar.

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Mrs. Morgan, a returned missionary, from Africa, is located in the East.

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St. Paul, Minn., has a portrait painter whose work is highly spoken of.

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The Mississippi State Bar Association will meet in Vicksburg in March.

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C. P. Huntington, the railroad magnate, has a colored clerk in his private office.

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North Carolina colored people will hold an Afro-American conference next year.

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It is said that 30,000 colored votes were cast for McKinley in Ohio at the recent election

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Francis Woods, a prominent Philadelphian, at one time a clerk in the post office, is dead

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Samuel Dodd, of Huntington, W. Va., committed suicide because he was out of employment.

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New York and Brooklyn Afro-Americans are agitating the "Wendell Phillips" monument project.

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A colored man named Watson is engaged in manufacturing marine and stationary engines and yachts.

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John D. Rockefeller, the great standard oil king, employs two Negro clerks, W. B. Jones and W. T. Richards.

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Exodus managers in the South charter their own cars to evade the law in some states against the removal of laborers.

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The first prize for the best original declamation at Philip's Academy, Exeter, N. H., was won by T. R Stewart.

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Mr. J. Francis, a student in the Brooklyn College of Pharmacy, has been chosen as valedictorian for the class of '92.

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St. Paul, Minn., has an Afro-American lawyer named McGhee who is ranked with the leading barristers of that section.

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Wm. Hicks, an eight-year-old boy of Columbus, Ohio, walked off an express train while asleep and received fatal injuries.

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Alexander Scott rescued a white woman from a burning building, at Portsmouth, Va., while several white men refused to enter.

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The Afro-American press association is to convene Jan. 18, '92, at Memphis, Tenn. The session promises to be an interesting one.

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Wm. Scott, a fifteen-year-old boy, was kid napped and held in bondage on a Maryland plantation. His parents have sued the planter for $5,000 damages.

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The Colored Building and Loan Association, of Hampton, Va., has loaned $22,000 to Afro-Americans in building houses and lifting mortgages during the year.

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C. S. Wesley recently passed the civil service examination at Louisville, Ky., at the head of a class of sixty-one, of which only nine passed. Wesley's average was 84

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Harry Shepherd, an Afro-American photographer at St. Paul, Minn., took the first premium, a gold medal, at the Minneso a State Fair, for the best collection of photographs.

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Sandy E. Hanby brought suit last week in the United States court against the E. T. V. & G. railroad. He was ejected from the first class coach and compelled to ride in the "Jim crow cor" from Harriman to Knoxville.

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Richard Salters, who has for years lighted the lamps in the Bellevue section of of Newark, N. J., died some time ago. He has been failing for a year, and during all that time his wife has gone upon the rounds, cleaning the lamps by day and lighting them at dusk. She is said to be the only female lamplighter in the country.

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FORGOT HER LEFT ARM.

The Result of an Oversight in a Hypnotic Experiment.

Court Councilor Meynert, professor of medicine at the university in Vienna, was prevented recently, says the Chicago Times, from delivering one of his regular afternoon lectures, and, as the students were already assembled, his assistant, Dr. Anton, undertook to hypnotize a young woman for the instruction of the disappointed audience. The young woman was tall, slender, light-haired and somewhat over twenty years of age. Dr. Anton let his hand glide over her forehead, smoothed her eyelids with his fingers, touched her cheeks with soft downward strokes, and then commanded, loudly: "Now sleep." She slept.

"Your arms are completely crippled," he said, and both arms sank limp by her sides. "What will you now do, poor creature, without any arms?" he asked. The girl raised her bowed head and began to weep and wail so piteously that the students rose in their places and shouted that she must be restored at once to consciousness.

Dr. Anton seized the young woman's right arm, rubbed it smartly, and suggested:

"You are all right now. Your arm is well again." In the same instant the girl raised her arm, with a triumphant expression of face. Dr. Anton then aroused her. To his and his auditors' astonishment, however, the girl's left arm still hung limp and apparently nerveless at her side. He had forgotten, in speaking colloquially, to tell her that her left arm, too, had recovered its strength. He touched the helpless arm and exhorted the young woman to raise it, but in vain. She couldn't stir it an inch.

Dr. Anton then explained that the students had before them a case of "post-hypnotic crippling," which could be removed only after the girl had been again hypnotized. He was unwilling to exhaust the girl by bringing her immediately under his influence once more, so he deferred the performance of the cure for several days. He said the girl was so subject to influences that the regular ticking of a clock or the monotonous ringing of a church bell would suffice to hypnotize her.

Blind Poker Player.

"I have met," says a writer in the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, "one of the most remarkable blind men in New Hampshire. He was the most affable of men, a piano tuner by trade. Music and card playing were his chief delights, though he was altogether a bon vivant. At poker he was the best among the little parties at which he used to assemble. He carried his own pack of cards. In each one he had filed a certain number of nicks, which were so small that they could not be detected by the sharpest eye. These nicks indicate the value of each card. He went by the name of Denny among his intimates, and no man was more warmly received than Denny wherever a good song, an inspiriting tune or a quiet game of poker was appreciated."

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A Queer Text.

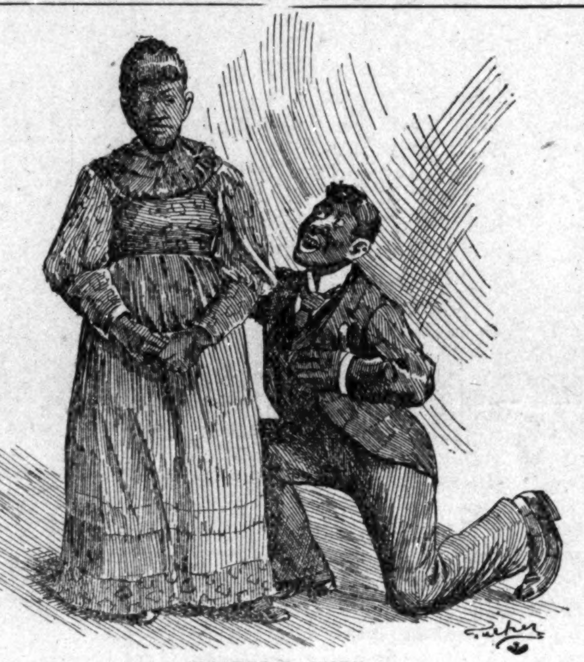
A good story is told of a Chinaman who is employed as a cook in a California family. He recently saw in a confectioner's window a huge cake on which was a motto made of frosted sugar. And knowing that his master and mistress were very religious, being specially given to reading the Bible, he determined to give them a pleasant surprise by making a cake with a text from the Bible on it. He wasn't very familiar with the Bible, but he happened to have some tracts in his room which contained numerous "texts," and he concluded to use one of these. So he went to work, made a most beautiful cake, and with truly oriental patience emblazoned it with a text. But the feelings of the family may be imagined when John proudly placed his masterpiece on the table and they read on it these words: "Ye generation of vipers, who hath warned you to flee from the wrath to come?"

Emperor William's Condition.

"My belief is," said a doctor who recently returned from Germany, "that the emperor has not long to reign, and that before the lapse of a great length of time his insanity will be a matter about which there can be no dispute. I have seen him several times of late in his own country and in his every action he seemed restless lest people should not feel to the full that he is the mighty ruler of a great nation. He is eternally posing. At one time the two forefingers of the right hand fly to his forehead in answer to the salute of some citizen. The next moment the hand springs to the hilt of his sword as if he longed to unsheath it and throw away the scabbard."

Negro Suicides.

Suicides among negroes were entirely unknown until within the past few years, says a St. Louis coroner. In 1878 the first case of a negro felo-de-se in the history of St. Louis came to my notice as coroner. It was such a novelty as to attract widespread attention, and many newspapers claimed that it was the first case of its kind in the country. Be that as it may, it was but the forerunner of a half-dozen cases in St. Louis, and the question is no longer asked: "Who ever heard of a nigger killing himself?" Perhaps, in the purely animal state, no one ever did, but as the negro in his free state has mingled with the white man he has acquired not only his vices but his passions, fears and prejudices as well.



A WASTED PASSION.

Suitor.—"But say that you will be mine, Barbara, and I shall be the happiest of men."

Georgie.—"Oh, come off, you make me tired. I'm Barbara's brother made up for the masque Do I look like a girl?"

THE GREAT WALL OF CHINA.

Where the Great Struggle Between the Chinese Hordes Is Likely to Occur.

The great struggle between the Chinese army and the hordes is expected to take place at the great wall, says the New Yord Record. This marvelous work of defense was built by Chi-Hwang-ti more than two thousand years ago for the purpose of keeping off the Tartars, who consisted of numerous tribes who wandered about the barren plains of central Asia, living partly by hunting and partly by plunder. Their mode of life and the continual fighting which they were engaged in made them dangerous enemies to the less hardy Chinese. The emperor ordered every third laboring man throughout China to aid in the construction of the wall, for which labor they received only a bare subsistence. The wall extended fifteen hundred miles from the gulf of Lian-tung, an arm of the Yellow sea, to the most westerly province of Kan-sun. It was carried over the highest mountains, through the deepest valleys, and, by means of arches, across the rivers. Its breadth allowed six horsemen to ride abreast on its summit, and at short intervals it was fortified by strong towers, well guarded. The exterior was formed of stone and brickwork, and this shell was filled with earth. Five years were consumed in completing the work. Notwithstanding the immensity of the work the Chinese wall was not able to resist the wild hordes under Genghis-Khan, who succeeded in passing it. He was, however, stopped at the inner pass of Chuyung-Kwan. But the wall is no more occupied by troops. In the towers there are generally guns mounted, but they are of an antiquated pattern, and would be almost useless for repelling troops armed with modern weapons. The height of the wall varies, including the parapet, from twenty-six to fifty feet, and depends on the character of the slope that it is built upon. The breadth of the outer parapet is fourteen feet on the top, with a gradual increase toward the ground, both aspects of the wall having a considerable slope. Each tower has four embrasures, which are used as lookout places. The wall is, on the whole, in good repair. The great wall passes within thirty miles of Peking. If the forces of the empire which which still remain loyal be concentrated near to where the rebels must pass the wall they may make some use of this clumsy, antiquated bulwark of defense and save China from the perils attending on an usurpation of the throne.

RUSSIAN ATROCITIES.

How the Jews Were Cleared Out of a Muscovite Town.

Driven from Their Beds in the Dead of Night the Half-Naked Outcasts Take Refuge in the Cemeteries.

The story of the clearing of Marina Rostscha is perhaps the most cruel and repellant episode in the whole record of last spring's barbarities, says a London correspondent of the New York Times. The Jews were of the lowest class—artisans, petty traders and street hawkers, porters and day laborers. They had congregated here, it is true, to avoid the police, but this involves no suggestion of wrong doing on their part. Their object in getting as far away as possible from the police was not that they were criminals, but that they could not raise the money to pay them for permission to live unmolested in the town. There is no record of an arrest ever having been made among the Jews of Marina Rostcha for a criminal offense. The heads of families—all the men, in fact—went daily to Moscow to work, returning in the evening to their homes. Some of their children came into the technical or handicraft school maintained by the Jewish community of Moscow. Most of them, however, studied their primers and elementary books at home.

Of a sudden, without warning, on an inclement wintry night, a troop of police and Cossacks surrounded this out-of-the-way country suburb, and, forming an engirding cordon, proceeded to carry out Prince Golitzyn's written order to expel the entire community. This order was executed with what Russians regarded as incredible brutality. The lights had been extinguished in almost every house, and the unsuspecting people were asleep. They were awakened by the crash of their doors being broken open, and the boisterous entrance of Cossacks with torches and drawn swords. The terrified inmates were routed out, and driven with curses and blows into the night, without being given time even to dress. They snatched such garments as they could and ran. The tales that are told are too harrowing to dwell upon. At least three hundred families were thus dragged from their beds and chased out into the wintry darkness on this first night's raid. Barefooted, half-naked, frightened out of their senses, these outcasts wandered helplessly through the black woods, moaning in their misery or raising shouts in the effort to keep together. Some of them, at least, were able to build fires in the forest, and gather around these the old and infirm, and the women with nursing babies at their breasts, or little children, who had made their way thus far with bare feet over the snow and frozen ground. The soldiers pursued them hither and stamped out these fires. Others did not stop in their flight until they reached the cemeteries, lying just outside the town. Here they fonnd refuge, and, crouching for shelter among the tombstones, waited for morning.

No allusion to this amazing event has ever appeared in any Russian paper. There was no editor who dared so much as to mention it. Although many deaths resulted, directly and indirectly, from the terrible shock and exposure of that night, there were no inquests, no investigations, no official reports.

BRAZILIAN SOIL.

Its Utilization at a Funeral and a Birth in Europe.

The somewhat pathetic fact that a bag of Brazilian earth should have been placed in the coffin beside the corpse of Dom Pedro may serve to recall to mind a somewhat analogeus incident which occurred at the time of the birth of his grandson, the eldest son of Crown Princess Isabella and her husband, Prince Gaston, of Orleans, Count d'Eu, says the New York Recorder. The imperial couple in question were married many years before the princess had any prospects of becoming a mother, and when finally it was officially announced that she had hopes of presenting the nation with an heir to the throne the news was hailed with much popular rejoicing. Unfortunately the princess happened to be traveling in Europe at the time when this announcement was made, and her physicians insisted that under no circumstances must she undertake the return journey to Brazil until after the birth of her child. The advice placed the imperial family in a somewhat difficult predicament, for according to the terms of the national constitution it was indispensable that the heir to the throne should be born on Brazilian soil. Indeed, were he to make his debut in the world on foreign territory it would, according to the legal experts, constitute sufficient ground for raising the question as to the validity of the child's rights to the crown. After much deliberation and discussion the following ingenious solution of the difficulty was determined upon: A couple of sackfuls of earth were brought from Rio de Janeiro and strewn across the threshold of the Brazilian legation at Paris, and a few hours before the birth of the child the princess was conveyed thither and to an apartment on the floor of which a portion of the transatlantic soil had been placed. The young prince, therefore, was declared to have been born on Brazilian soil, since not only was there Brazilian earth on the ground, but, moreover, the legation, by virtue of its extraterritorial diplomatic privileges, was regarded as part and parcel, not of Paris or France, but of the Brazilian empire.

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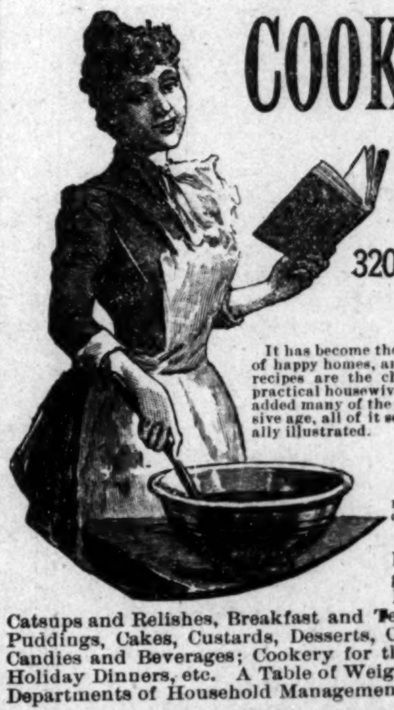

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NOTICE!

Owing to the crowded condition of the mails during the Holidays, THE FREEMAN has been a little late in reaching our agents and subscribers, but now that the Holidays are over, there will be no trouble in everyone receiving their papers promptly. Our mailing list has been corrected, and every paid-up subscriber will get his paper promptly each week. We have mailed one day earlier this week, in order that those who have received their papers late will get them on time this week. A great many very excellent news letters were crowded out this week because of their late arrival. Notably, the Baltimore, the Chicago letter, the Washington letter and others.

The next issue of THE FREEMAN will contain a large cartoon on the African Colonization nonsense, showing the folly of American Negroes wanting to colonize to Africa, and at the same time showing the advantages that will accrue by their remaining in this country. Don't miss this issue.

MINISTER RESIDENT AND CONSUL GENERAL to Liberia, if you please. How'de, Bro. McCoy.

☞To please our agents our low rates will be extended to the 20th of Jan. $1 00 for one year.

WHAT, with the Liberian mission and the Recordership of the Land Office accredited to Indiana, we feel pretty well, thank you.

“THE battle is neither to the swift nor the strong, but to him that endureth to the end.” A waiting game is a winning one at times.

WHO said that Indiana wouldn't be the next battle ground? The Indiana contingent at Washington move slow, but shuah, honey. Mind we tell you.

☞THE FREEMAN is only $1.00 per year until January 20th, at the urgent request of agents and individuals desirous of organizing clubs.

WHAT'S the matter with you fellows down in New York, anyway, Fortune? Why don't you hurry up and do something for your state? You keep on procrastinating and Bro. Johnson, of The Calcium Light, will unload you some of these days.

THE FREEMAN can claim the distinction of having advanced and made more editors out of its agents than any race journal published. We know at least of a dozen of our old agents who are now publishing newspapers of their own, and good ones at that. Many of our best agents have also succeeded in other spheres equally important and honorable. Mr. S. S. Cabell, our former representative at Chicago, is now on the road for THE FREEMAN and a Chicago firm as advertising manager and traveling representative. Mr. Cabell's great work in Chicago in behalf of THE FREEMAN is a sufficient guarantee of what he will do on the road. He is in New Orleans this week, and our readers may expect pungent and wide-awake letters from his pen.

☞For eleven more days, THE FREEMAN will be sent to any address for $1.00.

THE appointment of our fellow-townsman, the Hon. W. D McCoy, as minister resident and consul general to Liberia is a splendid recognition on the part of President Harrison of the colored voters of his home state, and will give universal satisfaction.

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FOR the first time, the colored voters of Indiana have been given national appointment commensurate to some extent with their indispensable importance to the future success of the party in the state, and we venture the prediction that Mr. Harrison's only regret will be that his action was so delayed. Nevertheless, all's well that ends well.

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THE MINISTER TO LIBERIA

The appointment of Hon. W. D. McCoy, of Indiana, as minister to Liberia is one of the best that Mr. Harrison has made during his term of office. And although it was a little late coming, THE FREEMAN desires to thank him, on behalf of the colored voters of Indiana, for the very excellent judgment displayed in this selection. Mr. McCoy is a Hoosier “to the manor born,” and is a gentleman in the highest sense of the term, of education and splendid qualification. He has been a resident of Indianapolis for over a decade of years, and his private and public life has been above reproach or shadow. At the last state canvass Mr. McCoy was a candidate upon the republican ticket for member of the state legislature, but although making a gallant fight, went down with the rest of the ticket before the democratic tidal wave. His candidacy for presidential preferment has been conducted on the high lines of manly dignity and propriety, in the name rather of the colored voters of the state than himself.

Mr. Harrison has honored himself by this selection, and wrought in such a manner as will be a positive benefit to the party.

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PROMINENT NEGROES AND THEIR CRITICS.

> I had rather be a kitten and cry mew,
> Than one of these * * * * *
> Shakespeare.

The senseless and far-fetched criticism of such men as Frederick Douglass, Bruce and others by small, obscure Negroes, through their little handbill newspapers is enough to make a wooden Indian tired, and resembles a bat striking at lightning Its well enough, and altogether proper to criticise anybody and anything, from the president to a grasshopper, when there is something to criticise, but to be continually going off half cocked, without reason or merit, just because ‘slander loves a shining mark’ is in no sense an indication of brains, and is only applauded by knaves and shallow-pated fools. Comes now a case in point.

Frederick Douglass saw fit to assist a colored congregation out of debt, by purchasing the church edifice in which he once worshipped as a present to them in their financial strain, and straightway the Don Quixote of the Negro press, “the fat boy” of the Cleveland Gazette, saw in Mr. Douglass' very commendable action, an opportunity to question the motive of his charitable gift in the following insufferably conceited and coarse-spirited reflections:

> If this is a fact it shows that the criticisms of the race press are doing good. Our so-called leaders must do something for the race, now that they have feathered their own nests at its expense, if they desire to continue “prominent and leading Afro-Americans” in the minds of white people (Afro-Americans know better) particularly leading republicans. Intelligent, fearless and aggressive Afro-Americans, particularly the young and brainy journalists, are prodding and punching them at a rate that is sure to push them to the rear or make of them something like real race leaders.

The idea of this half-feathered goslin taking it upon himself to question the sincerity and earnest heart of the foremost man of all our race, is refreshing in the extreme, and is enough to make the ghost of Jeffrey “revisit the glimpses of the moon” and fight him a duel for priority in meanness. Strap your foot down and listen to this journalistic biped warning Douglass and others that if they desire to continue “prominent leading Afro-Americans” they “must do something for the race, etc.”

“Continue prominent!”

“Do something for the race!”

Why, God love the lad's precocious soul, Frederick Douglass was prominent fifty years ago, when to be so was to have a price set upon his head by the slaveholders oligarchy and along with Garrison, Lovejoy and Phillips, be hunted and ostracised by half a continent. And now, with the years crowding thick upon him, but with undimmed eye and shaggy mane, “as white as any lamb's wool,” he is still “The Lion of the tribe of Judea” among the leaders of his race, and his place beside the glorious few in history's impartial pages, is rock-ribbed and unchangeable. Before the race was able to do for itself, long years before, he was suffering and striving and doing for it. What mattered it, if one day he was mobbed by a spirit as mean and jealous and bitter as he is even pursued to-day, by one-ideaed members of his race of the mental ilk of this coarse swash-buckler of The Gazette, on the next he continued his battle for human rights, unyielding and undismayed. With his burning, impassioned eloquence, he touched the stilled chords of human sympathy in the breasts of all mankind and wrung from the rock of human obduracy, as it confronted him in two Hemispheres, the genial stream of conscience for his enslaved race. How cruel then, in the face of such a record, such a life, to be “punched” and “prodded to the rear” by “the young and brainy journalists” of the race.

Harry Smith, you mean scamp, you mischievious juvenile, you ought to be ashamed of yourself. We have long since forgiven you for “Bright Eyes,” and for daring to be a cornet player, but this last mad resolve of yours to drive Douglass and Bruce and others to the rear, quite overcomes us. Harry, don't.

WHY WILL OUR BROTHER TALK SUCH NONSENSE?

THE ARCH IMPOSTOR AGAIN.

> Under this awful heading Christy & Christy, editors of the Indianapolis World, gave E. E. Cooper, of THE FREEMAN, the most terrible editorial flagellation an editor ever received. The bitter war between these gentlemen goes on unabated. They are all able men and the colored press regrets that an interminable gulf of hatred divides them.—Race Problem.

Either our esteemed contemporary does not read THE FREEMAN, or reading has a very poor memory. The talk of a “bitter war” between THE FREEMAN and the World is the purest imagination.

Some months since we ceased to pay any attention to our blue mad contemporary in our home city, and in pursuance thereof have never mentioned his name or referred in the most remote manner to his jealous and silly frothings, or his insignificant excuse of a paper. We are, therefore, at loss to understand how our friendly contemporary can speak of a “war” going “on unabated,” between THE FREEMAN and the World, when there is no such thing. This ruffian, barking at our heels, has forfeited, long since any consideration that an upright, square opponent of THE FREEMAN'S course and management might receive through our columns, and as a ruffian we only consider him,

It takes more than one to conduct a war of any description, and our contemporaries, one and all, may rest assured that the “war” of the proprietor of THE FREEMAN and its small rival, if it ever occurs, will be short and sweet, of great industry, and much thrift, while it lasts, and will no doubt be made a record, not of half-friendly exchanges, who delight to damn us with faint praise, but of the massive tomes of the courts, where are recorded each day the actions of beligerent and warlike citizens.

Will The Problem kindly make the necessary correction?

WILL MR. HARRISON APPOINT A NEGRO APPELLATE JUDGE?

We think not, as we have all along said. If, however, he should do so, you may rest assured the candidate of his selection will be thus honored, not because he will be a colored man, which will be as it should be, but because of character and legal qualifications and fitness for the place. In the matter of high moral character, we have many members of the race who could fill the bill, but in the requisite, legal fitness and competancy, we have not too many to pick from, if any, barring, perdaps, the Hon. J. M. Langston and the Hon. T. McCants Stewart, who, being a democrat, is of course not to be considered. The Michigan man, Straker, the candidate of the Plaindealer infants, is not only not qualified, but being a foreign Negro, has, in our judgement, but very little show. But there is another reason more formidable than any other against the chances of a Negro being placed upon the Appellate bench, and that is the disinclination of the whites generally, irrespective of party, to extend that specie of recognition to the Negro. As a matter of course, like all prejudiced objections, its a foolish one, and indefensible, but its American you know, and will have its day, despite the musings of philanthropists or the indignation of the race. If, however, we are wrong, and we hope we are, our choice is the eloquent and learned Virginian, John M. Langston.

GIVE US HARRISON INSTEAD OF BLAINE.

There is a passage in one of Tennyson's delightful idyls to the King that depicts the disgust of Sir Launcelot, who, finding himself detained for a space in a certain obscure burg about the time of the annual joust of the Knights of The Table Round, could hear nothing but praises and laudatory speeches of the Sparrow Hawk, the flower and champion of the local knights of the village.

Just now, in these days of preparation and premonition, incident to the meeting of the National Republican Convention, the Sparrow Hawk that a certain loud-mouthed set of disgruntled republicans are swearing by is the man from Maine, sometimes romantically called the “plumed knight of Navare,” and other euphonious titles. Tennyson's golden lines tell us that the Sparrow Hawk of the first instance fared badly in the tourney of chivalry which followed, and we want to say here, that if James G. Blaine should, by some hook or crook, become the standard bearer of the republican party in the coming national campaign, he would be as badly beaten and unhorsed by sundown of the 4th of November next as was the village hero that the poet Laureate sang about.

Our readers will bear witness, that while we have at different times criticized the judgment and party sense of Mr. Harrison's treatment of his colored friends in the close and pivotal states of the North, and have gone so far as to say that he did not deserve a re-nomination at the hands of his party, never once, save in a general way, have we suggested or championed the cause of Mr. Blaine, as against the claims that President Harrison has upon his party for a second nomination. We have thought it would be a mistake to nominate Benjamin Harrison, we know it would be a far greater mistake to nominate Jas. G. Blaine.

As never before, the colored vote of the northern states will go further than any specific class of voters in deciding the next presidential canvass, and from this standpoint of view, the nomination of Blaine would be a blunder and a mistake. Never since the day when, as speaker of the House, Jas. G Blaine vacated his chair and went down on the floor and used his personal influence with weak-kneed republicans and Negro-hating democrats to defeat the first Force Bill, has he been loved and trusted and believed in, by the thoughtful and intelligent colored voters of the land.

We say it to-day, and we defy successful contradiction, but for the baneful, selfish influence of this man from Maine, the civil disabilities and wrongs that the colored man has smarted under for the last fifteen or eighteen years in the South, would never have been. The old spirit of southern white tyranny and Caucasian superiority came from Appomatox, whipped into submission and humbleness by the loyal legions of the North, black and white, and not until he, out of his vaulting ambition for the presidency, and as a bid for southern white support, went to its support in the halls of congress, did it show any signs of that strength and intent which has enabled it for so many years since to hamper the colored man's enjoyment of his dear bought liberty, and his right to live and be treated as other men in the civil and political walks of life.

Had the South been given to understand, as it was the intent of the first Force Bill to make her understand, that the old regime had passed indeed, and that the colored people of the South were not to be left to the one-sided mercies, and the political chicaneries of the men who had sought, on the red field of blood, to destroy the union of the states and extend the institution of slavery, there would not have been to-day in all the fair South such a disgrace as the ‘jim crow car,’ the convict lease system, and the thousands of local state laws that are at once a disgrace to republican form of government, and an oppression and crime on what should be the sanctity and sacredness of American citizenship in fact. Under the lead of Jas. G. Blaine, the moment was frittered away, and the party whose loyalty and devotedness had been sufficient to save the union, was nevertheless, not morally strong enough to do its full duty to the black man.

Well has it been said that unsettled questions have no regard for the peace of nations, and not until this great question, great above all other questions, the tariff, or reciprocity or what you will, is settled, viz. exact and equal protection to the colored man in the South, will there be smooth sailing for the republican party, or ought the Negro voters of America be willing to forgive the man, who, above all other men, has been instrumental in delaying its settlement.

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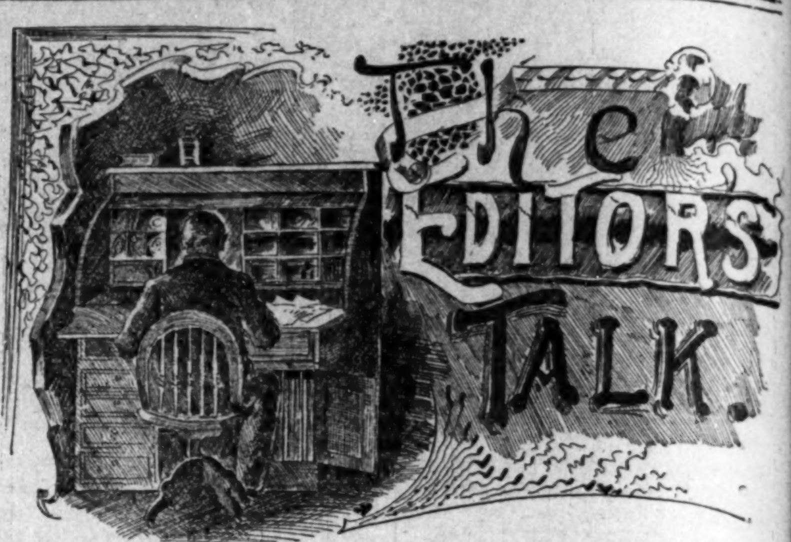

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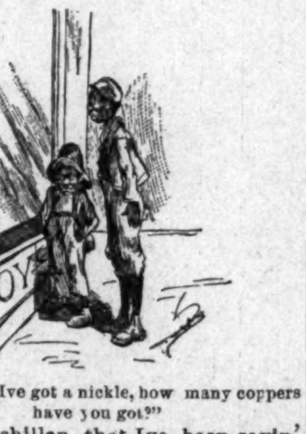
Every agent should make an effort to get his club in by the 20th, and to make it as large as possible. Our premiums are being sent out each day to those sending in clubs There are at least one dozen who will get a gold watch by getting fifty subscribers, and a great many more will get a silver watch, a guitar or shot gun. Now is the time to get your premiums. All clubs should reach us not later than the 20th.

True Charity.

Written for The Freeman.

“I say, Dan, d'ye see that 'ere big top by that tin horn? I bet that's one of them tops what makes music Golly, wudn't Buddy's eyes shine if he had that one. And wudn't he laff an' tickle if he jes' had one of them horns or a jack-in-the-box?”



“Say, Zeke, Ive got a nickle, how many coppers have you got?”

“Half a shillen, that Ive been savin' towards gettin' me some shoes. But Oh, Dan, Buddy must have that horn. He can't get out, now that its grow'd so cold, the walks are too slippery for his crutch. You go in and ask the man how much's that horn.”

“No, you go, Zeke, and ask what he'll give a feller that top fur.”

“Oh, les go in tergether. Won't you? You 'long side of me, and when I ask him how much's the horn, you say an' the big top, too ”

Neither of the boys noticed a gentleman and little boy and girl admiring the handsome toys, so temptingly displayed.

“Santa Claus doesn't know those little boys, does he?” asked Harry.

“I'm afraid not,” said his father.

“Papa,” exclaimed Rosa, “I guess I'll write Santa Claus a letter and tell him about Dan and Zeke. Perhaps he'll give them something pretty.”

“Very well, darling ”

In the meantime papa had been watching the boys as they entered the store and found that the price of the articles they wished was much beyond their scanty store, and noted their disappoited faces as they came out

“Buddy must have suthin', poor little chap, if I hafter go barefoot all the winter, and we can look at the pretty things, go in and get warm, but he can't,” said Zeke.

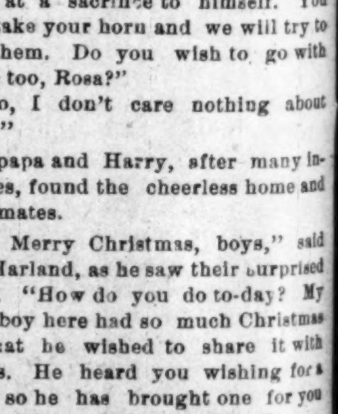
The father and the little ones went their way, each one thinking of the poor boys That night, in a pleasant and happy home, Harry and Rosa hung their stockings from the mantlepiece and Rosa pinned this letter on her stocking:

DEAR SANTA CLAUS:—I went down town last night with my papa. I saw two little boys named Dan and Zeke, who wanted to buy a horn and top for Buddy, Buddy is lame, and I guess can't work. They did not have money enough to get what they wanted. Now, Dear Old Santa, will you find them and give them something pretty; but don't forget to bring me a doll what can cry out loud and shut its eyes. Dear Old Santa, guess I'll go to bed now so as to wake early. Good night.

ROSA HARLAND.

In a damp, dingy cellar, of a rickety old house in a dirty alley, lived three boys, Dan and Zeke Chisolm and Buddy Williams. Dan and Zeke were orphans and had made a living by doing errands and sweeping crossings, and had come across Buddy, who didn't know when he had not been a child of the streets. They worked together until Buddy was run over by a careless drayman and crippled for life. The brothers cared for their little invalid as though he were indeed their brother, but earned scarcely enough to clothe, warm and feed themselves sufficiently. Christmas morning found Dan and Zeke happy in the pleasure they had given Buddy. They had been obliged to be content with some candy and a small jack-in the-box. The room was cold and cheerless, as Buddy had not been able lately to pick up coal and bits of wood, as he was accustomed to do.

Harry and Rosa emptied their stockings with great glee, but Rosa, who had a bad temper and was selfish, when she found that her stocking did not contain just what she desired, behaved very badly, much to the sorrow of her parents, and, forgetting the little boys she had written Santa about, she quite spoiled a lovely doll



That some little girls would have been delighted with,

because it could not cry and shut its eyes.

Harry was well pleased with all his stocking contained, and, looking lovingly at a pretty horn Santa had left him, he said to his father, “Papa, I wish we could find those boys, for fear Santa hasn't found them. I'd give them my horn.”

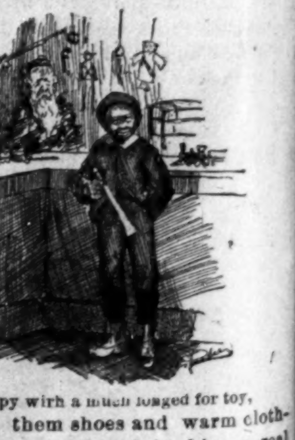
“Well, Harry,” said his father, “I am glad that my little boy is contented and has heart to make others happy, even at a sacrifice to himself. You may take your horn and we will try to find them. Do you wish to go with papa, too, Rosa?”

“No, I don't care nothing about them ”

So papa and Harry, after many inquiries, found the cheerless home and its inmates.

“A Merry Christmas, boys,” said Mr. Harland, as he saw their surprised faces. “How do you do to-day? My little boy here had so much Christmas joy that he wished to share it with others. He heard you wishing for a horn, so he has brought one for you that old Santa Claus gave him.”

Mr. Harland talked pleasantly with the boys for some time, finding how noble they were in caring for Buddy. He left them each

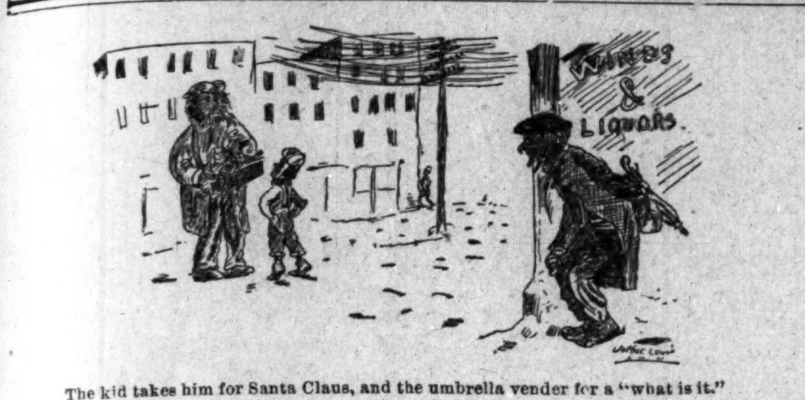


Happy with a much longed for toy,

and sent them shoes and warm clothing. The boys found in him a real friend, and the day the happiest Christmas they had ever known.

But, dear children, I'm afraid that Santa Claus will bestow more gifts on those who can value them, than to Rosa next Christmas, don't you?

AUNT JANE.



The kid takes him for Santa Claus, and the umbrella vender for a "what is it."

Crescent City, Fla.

Mr. F. B. Swanson has built a fine two-story building, where he will keep boarders and lodgers. He was called by telegram to Eatanton, Ga, his sister Mrs Montgomery, accompanied him home.—N. B. write on one side of the paper (Ed.)

A Card of Thanks.

Cincinnati, O., Special to The Freeman.

Miss Mollie Barnett desires to thanks her many friends for their liberality toward her in the contest for the type writer, which was a success, she having obtained the Remington Type-writer No 2, valued at $100, which was offered by the Union Baptist Sunday School, Dec. 25th, for the person having the largest amount of money. The amonnt brought in by the successful contestants was $101.25.

High School Entertainment.

Kansas City, Mo., Special to The Freeman.

Last Monday night, at Vineyard's hall, the pupils of Lincoln High school gave an entertainment for the purpose of raising money with which to purchase a piano. It was a grand success. Rev. John Turner, of Lincoln, Neb., spent a few days in the city last week. Prof. S. N. Gresham spent last week in Nashville, Tenn. Geo. W. Sceters and wife spent last week in St. Joseph, Mo. Friends, you said $2.40 was too much for THE FREEMAN. Send $1 and get the greatest newspaper published in the world by the race. Local office 718 Holmes street. This will only last until January 20th. Miss Minnie Roberts is getting up a club at 808 E. Twelfth street. Don't fail to help this young lady at Vineyard's hall. Don't fail to read the next issue of THE FREEMAN.

Christmas Festivities.

Macon, Mo., Special to The Freeman.

During the holidays, literary and musical talent of Macon colored society has been greatly displayed. The Baptist church gave a Christmas dinner and supper. The A. M. E. church gave an entertainment which consisted of music by the A. M. E. and Baptist orchestras. There was also a concert given at Barnes' hall which was excellent. The Odd Fellows gave a dinner and supper on Saturday night at Barnes' hall. On Wednesday night the Excelsior choir gave one of their grandest musical entertainments. The choir was composed of twelve instruments and sixteen voices. Miss M. Shields, of Fayette, Mo., is the guest of Miss Alice Conroy. Miss L. M. Jones, who is teaching school at Marceline, Mo., is spending the holidays with her parents. N. B. Write on one side of the paper, only.—(Ed.)

Wichita Kan.

Hon Fred A Turner, Editor and Publisher of The Times Observer, of Topeka, is spending a few days in the city, in the interest of his paper. Since purchasing The Advocate of Leavenworth, some time ago, Mr. Turner moved the office to Topeka and changed the name of the paper to The Times Observer. It is the only republican paper in the state, edited and published by colored man, and in the special interest of the colored people of the state. Mr. H. C. Gilber and Miss Charity E Ross were married the 18th The union entertainment of the churches promises to be a grand affair. Mr. Martin, of Colwell is in the city. Mr D. L. Roberson will start for Montana in a few days, to join Mrs. Roberson, who has been visiting her mother for some time. Miss Georgia Overton will start to Illinois this week to visit friends and spend the winter. Miss Ida Bundy reports her laundry a success.

A Mock Congress.

New Bedford, Mass., Special to The Freeman.

The gentleman connected with the A. M. F. church will hold a mock congress some time in January. The proceeds will be devoted toward the church debt. Some of our most promising young men are in it and great interest is centered on it by the public, as it is a novelty in these parts. The ladies of the Salem Baptist church, held a fair there recently, which was a success. Cambridge Patriarchie No. 1518 G. U. O. of Odd Fellows held a grand social in Waverly Hall Christmas night, which was well patronized and enjoyed by all present. On Thursday the 31st inst. the Musical club held its regular social in Old Fellows' Hall. There were several strangers in the city to spend Christmas. Mr. Robert T. Carter, student at the College of Physicians and Surgeons in Boston, was with us to spend the holidays, also Mr. Percy, Bond, of Boston.

D. P. Roberts Successor—Holiday Festivities,

Evansville, Ind., Special to The Freeman.

The holidays were passed away with entertainments at the different churches, and a grand concert at Evans hall, given by the McFarland Chapel, under the leadership of Miss Georgia A. Nance, which was a success and a great credit to the Afro-Americans. The rough element observed the holidays with fights and quarrels, which were a disgrace. The vacancy at Alexander Chapel, caused by Rev D. P Robert's appointment, has been filled by Rev. T. E. Wilson, of Crawsfordville, Ind. Mr Abe Davis and Miss Birtie Whorton were married Thursday evening, at the home of the bride. Miss Emma Allen, of 1411 Canal St, sustained a very painful accident by a fall. There was a number of visitors inthe city during the holidays, among them was, Prof Guy, of Ohio, an ex-teacher in our public schools. His old friends were glad to see him. The La Grippe is raging among our people. Among its victims are, Mr. Nathanial Allen. Mr. Buckner M. D. and Mrs. Charlotte McFarland. Miss Ollie Jones, teacher of short hand in our city, has closed her school, the scholars failing to attend. The people should take advantage of the reduced price of THE FREEMAN, the greatest journal published by Afro-Americans. $1 a year, as it only last until January 20th 1892.

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Prof A. R. Guy is in the city. Dr G. W. Buckner is very ill, the result of an operation on him Mr. White, of Vincennes is visiting Dr. Buckner. Charles Skinner, of Inglefield spent Xmas in Evansville. Miss Mary Porter, of Rockport, visited her parents here during the holidays. Will Tawn now has charge of the Annex restaurant. Attorney Lott is suffering from the Grippe. Rev. Temple will be tried for the murder of Warren Gray, Monday Jan. 4th. George A. Williams goes to work as city reporter on the Evening Herald (white) Monday Miss Ollie Jones' school of stenography turns out ten expert stenographers in Feburary. Col. Cheek is now located in the city Felix Prayer is suffering from heart disease.

ACCIDENTLY SHOT.

Bride and Groom Disagree on the eve of Marriage

Helena, Ark., Special to The Freeman.

GEORGE BAILEY an able to begin work of his new house. Miss Lottie is making a nice beginning with her cheveline Miss Agustus A. Gaty gave a social at the residence of Prof. J. E. Carter on the 26th. T. McCrea has been quite ill but is recovering. We were glad to see Mr. P. A. Harrison out again after a severe attack. Henry Irving has returned from Mississippi with his family. Miss L. B. Branch returned from Knoxville, Tenn., on the 27th spent a few days at home and left for Texarkana, Ark, to take charge of her school. Master Watson Gentry returned on the 1st from Friars point, Miss.

Misses Rosa Anderson, Alice Thompson, L. Point, Miss. Prof E. Carter and Mrs. G. A. S. Arnold, were the persons that received Jan. 1st, D Lampkins, Glennie Chapples, Elnora Hoston Dallie Gentry, and F. B. Miller, accompanied with Messrs C. Clarke, R. P. Graves, M. Latting Benj. Johnson, Willie Lampkins, E. Latting and Horace Graves of Forrest City, Ark. seemed to be out Christmas day and tried to visit all of their friends, A. L. Greer and Miss Lottie E. Claxton on the 26. gave an entertainment at the residence of Mrs. Watson Gentry. Pneumonia and la grippe are the twin evils here. Robt. Johnson's little daughter, Helen while toying with a breech loading shot gun accidently discharged it, filling one side of her head with shot and shooting out one eye.

Mrs. William Senters spent the Christmas in Mariana, Ark. Aunt Clarcy, a very aged lady, died here Dec. 22nd. One of our subscribers, Mr. Wm. Walker, died on the 23rd ult. Mrs. Eugene Joues is visiting in Mississippi. Little Washington Amps, the twelve year old son of Prof. David Amps, can execute music equal to his father, who is the leader of both a brass and string band. This little Mascott stands as a first flat cornetist and is the youngest player in America. The wedding was on account of a disagreement between the groom and bride a failure. Mrs. S. S. Ford, the newly married bride of Friars Point, Miss, is spending Christmas here, the guest of Miss Dallie Gentry. Mrs. Thomas Craig left the city on the 23rd for Little Rock, Ark., to enter the Arkansas Baptist College in January. At the residence of Mrs. Watson Gentry, Emma Burns, L. D. Lampkins, Lizzie Martins, and Ella Olliver. Miss Georgia McCaster with several of her friends gave a leap year social. Prof Wm. Morris, was in the city on the 1st, the guest of his sister. The Y. M. S. C. gave a pound party at the residence of Mrs, Fannie Alexander to entertain her son, Leiut. John, who is here from Utah, Ter., taking Christmas. Miss C, E. Taylor, from Marvell, Ark., has been visiting her mother. The New Era office is in Straub's block up stairs in the rear of Dr. J. W. I Marquess' office Mr. Robt. Hoard has been sick with la grippe. Miss Jones of Texarkana, Ark., was in the city last week, the guest of Miss A. C. Watson. Mr. Horace Graves of Forrest City, Ark., after enjoying the holidays in the city left for home on the 30th. Jno. W. Adams, the county turn key, is out after being quite ill. The G. A. R. celebrated the "proclamation" on the first with a grand street parade Headed by Prof. D. Amps' brass band, succeeding the veterans was Prof H. R Lucas' field band which proceeded the citizen, at night they gave a supper and speaking. Miss Ella Morris received several of her friends on the 28th. Master Jno. Key was shot in the leg durieg the hollidays. Messrs T. D. Wilson, F. B. White, Geo Ormont, Isaac Coursey, G. R. Glenn, Rev. R. Johnson are taking THE FREEMAN.

Murfreesboro, Tenn.

Emancipation celebration was held here the 1st day of January, with speaking at the court house. Rev J A, Jones and Prof. W, D. Greer were speakers for the occasion. Miss Hallie Q. Brown gave an exhibition at Allen chapel A M E church, December 24th The audience was small on account of bad weather A Hallie Q Brown Benefit will be given at the Opera House at an early date She will recite again at the Opera House on the 12th

"Away with your fictions of
flimsy romance;
Those tissues of falsehood
which folly has wove!
Give me the mild beam of
the soul-breathing glance,
Or the rapture which dwells
on the first kiss of love."

THE AFRO-AMERICAN IN DAKOTA.

His Financial and Political Status.

Sioux Falls, Dakota, Special to The Freeman.

Sioux Falls, Dakota, is situated in Minnehaha County, on the Big Sioux River, It is located on high ground sloping from either side to the river. Afro-Americans are few but highly respected and well treated like men and citizens. Those desiring a start will do well to come to this place and invest. Every colored family here owns their own home. They also attend the same church and social gatherings, and the word "nigger" is never heard. Dr. Richard Lamb, one of the oldest citizens here, formerly of Indiana, has lived in this place since his infancy and is worth many thousands in money and real estate. He recently refused $2,000 for one city lot. and owns valuable farm lands besides. Also George Kennedy who owns valuable city property and 150 acres of fine farming land. Both of the gentlemen have families and the two daughters of the latter are accomplished musicians. Frank Burney, the leading plasterer of the city, owns a fine residence in a beautiful location. W. B. Wright, the leading barber, owns valuable property and is educating a daughter in Wilberforce University Also Messrs Moody and Lucas, who are rapidly coming to the front. In politics here the Afro-American is independent and supports the race.

A Jacob's Ladder.

St. Charles, Mo., Special to The Freeman.

The Baptist church had a Christmas tree and the A. M. E. church a Jacob's ladder, Christmas. The boys drill was quite a feature of the latter entertainment. The Masonic banquet was postponed until January 4th, on account of the death of M. A. Bolden. Mrs. Mary Wallace is visiting Mrs Hackett, at Keokuk Iowa. Mrs. Wm. Rick and G. W. Jones, of Chicago and Geo Woods, of Kansas City, are visiting relatives here. Misses Curtindoll, Lee and Register, and Mr. E Hall are in the city. Mr. A. L. Sullivan, a teacher of Lincoln school. is spending the holidays in Foristell. Mr. V. Lewis and Elizah Balack spent Christmas in St. Louis. Edward Morris will reside in Chicago. Mr. and Mrs J A. Burton entertained their friends last Sunday, in honor of their son Henry's birthday.

Seperate Coach Bills.

North Pleasureville, Ky., Special to The Freeman.

La Grippe is very bad in this locality. Mrs. Delia Goodloe of this vicinity died the 27th. She was only sick a few days, and was carried away by the pneumonia superinduced by the Grippe. The Jacob's Ladder at the A. M. E. church Christmas night, was a sucess. Prof Patterson and son exhibited their pamorama here last Saturday night to a full house. Will show here again soon. The Professor is blind, and they hail from West Virginia. Prof, Buford school will commence again the first Monday in January. He has a very large school, and is ably assisted by his wife. Elder Knight, of the A M. E. church, left for his home in Mitchell, Ind., the 28th. Mrs Mollie Miller, of Indianapolis, Ind,, is visiting her mother a few days. Prof. Buford was sent as a delegate from here, to Frankfort, Ky., to meet with the committees from other places, to go before Governor Brown in the interest of the proposed separate car system. The Governor has promised not to recommend it to the Legislature.

Color Line Vanquished.

Pittsburg, Pa., Special to The Freeman.

Two colored attorneys, W. M. Randolph and J. Wilfred Holmes were admitted to practice in the court of common pleas No. 1. recently, the first in Allegheny county. The first attempt to accomplish this object was in 1867, when it was defeated. Ex-Judge Fetterman recommended their admission and there was not a dissenting voice. Holmes was a candidate for office but failed. He was formerly of Baltimore, M D. Randolph is from New York, where he has practiced eight years He is a graduate of the Albany Law School, and is well recommended. The young attorney refused admittance in 1867 passed a high examination, and as they refused to state the reason why he was not admitted, his color was the only barrier.

Tambourine Drill—Church and Society News.

Boston, Mass., Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. Emma Roberts, widow of the late John S. Roberts, died on the 18th, ult., at Cambridge, and was buried from St. Paul A. M. E church. Miss Estella Jones, aged 17 years, died Dec. 17th. She was the only child of Albert Jones and wife, of Cambridge. Mrs Sarah Scott will spend the winter at Richmond, Va., her former home. At the rally at Charles Street A. M. E. church, on the 20th. ult, the collection for the day was $600. Willis J. Miner, a highly respected young man, died very suddenly recently. St. Paul A. M. E. church, Cambridge, closed a series of entertainments last Wednesday evening with a Tambourine drill, by sixteen well drilled young ladies, Wm. Foster, Drill Master. Miss Etta Tunnis carried off the prize. Mrs. Richard Bonner is very sick. The ladies' auxiliary to the Odd Fellows' building fund have opened a fair in Odd Fellows' hall, and are having crowded houses every evening. Wm. H. Smith, of Forked River, N. J., spent the holtdays in Foston, the guest of her sister, Mrs. V. C. Clark. Rev. B. F. Combash, of Lynn, made a flying visit to Cambridge last week, the guest of Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Haystett. St. Augustine P. E. Mission held services in their new church on Phillips street, Christmas. St. Augustine bids fair to be one of the leading churches in the city. The la grippe has many victims here.

GOLD AND SILVER CLUB.

Indignation Meeting Held to Investigate the Killing of Lomax.

Washington, D. C., Special to The Freeman.

The Zion Baptist church, whose membership is about 1,800, has been reconstructed. The present edifice is a magnificent structure. Its size is 52x122, affording a spacious capacity. The pastor, Rev. W. J. Howard, is worthy of commendation for the restless energy he has evinced in re-building the church. The completion is expected in May, after which time a Literary Society will be organized. The choir, under the direction of Prof E. W. Scott, with Prof, R. J. Daniels, teacher and director of music in Wayland Seminary, is excellent. The Sunday school numbers about 1,000. On Monday evening, the 28th, inst., the Golden Leaf club will give an entertainment; on Wednesday of the same week another will be given under the auspices of the Industrial club. On January 25th, a gold and silver bicycle entertainment will be given at Grand Army Hall, for the benefit of the new church. The Public Literary exercises, on the 23d, ult., were a success. At the services at the Metropolitan Baptist church on communion day, an immense audience was present. Mr. Holmes and Miss Loponey were married on Dec 23d. A few days ago an indignation meeting was held at the Metropolitan Baptist church for the purpose of formulating a plan to have the shooting of Mr. Lomax by the police, investigated. He is said to have been killed unjustly. The result of the meeting was the appointment of a committee to present the matter to the District Attorney for consideration, who has promised to investigate the case carefully; also a resolution was adopted to have a committe wait on Congress and ask a repeal of the law respecting the appointment of police from the Army and Navy. The people are now watching and waiting the fruit of their pursuits for justice, irrespective of color. Howard University has vacation until the 5th. Profs. J. M. Gregory, Cummings, Enell and Miller, left for Nashville, Tenn. in attendance on the American Association of Educators of colored youth. Prof. E. Milton Peck is spending his vacation in Baltimore. THE FREEMAN has made quite an impression upon the students of Howard University. Every week they rush to the reading room to see it.

Protests the Seperate Car Law.

Paris, Ky, Special to The Freeman.

The funeral services of Rev. Daniel Jones, Presiding Elder of the M. E church, were held at St. Paul M. E. church last Sunday at 3 p. m. by Revs. Thomas, Johnson, Reid and Evans. A sacred concert was given at the Christian church, Sunday night by Misses Lizzie and Maggie Freeman W. H. Evans and others for the benefit of said church. A handsome sum of money was realized. Dr. B. F. Jones is doing a good business here. We need more men like the doctor. A, Hickman, one of our most wealthy citizens, has been ill, but is convalescent. Mrs. T. A. Reid is quite ill, Prof. T. A. Reid was the delegate sent from Paris to Frankfort to meet the Governor and protest against the Separate Car Law.

A STARTLING PROPOSITION.
Colored man—"Say, boss, can you order money by telegragh?"
Telegraph operator—"Yes Sir."
Colored man—"Well den, how much will you charge to order me a hundred dollars?"

LIKES THE EDITORIALS.

GREENSBORO, ALA., Nov. 24, 1892.

EDITOR OF THE FREEMAN:—While I differ from you, as is natural. in regard to some lines of thought you take, yet I am free to say that your paper certainly seems to be fighting a good fight for the colored people. Some of your editorials are so true and the light is turned on so bright, that a way faring man, though he be a fool, can see. The majority of our colored papers take up all their time in cussing out their brother colored editors from a personal stand point and trying to eat each other body and soul as though the common enemy did not furnish enough food to satisfy their carniverous appetites.

Yours truly,
AD. WIMBS.

A Masonic Supper.

Fort Payne, Ala. Special to The Freeman.

The Masons gave a supper Christmas for the purpose of fitting up a nice hall. The table committee was composed of the following ladies: Mrs, E. Braxton. Mrs. P. Henton and Mrs. A. J. Walton, the affair was a success. Dec. 23rd Mr. A, J Walton, Woodered Bony and others gave a minstrel entertainment at the opera house. Mr. J. M. Dunman has been ill with the la grippe. Miss Bernace Johnson is visiting friends in Chattanooga. Mrs. C. J. Praton returned from Gadsden, Ala., where she spent Christmas with her mother. T. W. Williams, the A. M. E. pastor, preached his opening sermon Sunday morning. James Byrnes our enterprising Grocer has purchased of John Johnson one acre of ground in Mellon, Ga. Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Marman have a fine boy.

International Order of Twelve.

Abilene, Kan., Special to The Freeman.

The children of the A M. E. Church gave two successful concerts on Christmas eve. Rev. A. Z. Walker, pastor of the Baptist Church, has resigned his pastorate here and gone to Emporia, Kan., to reside. Mrs. T. J. Banks is convalescent. Hon. C. G. Scott, from Fort Riley, was up to spend Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. S. Hampton were in Salina last Thursday. They organized a Lodge of the International Order of Twelve. Mr. Hampton is Deputy Grand Master of this district. The Society has a strong footing in this State. On Wednesday, Jan. 11th, Golden Belt Lodge, G. U. O. O. F., will give a supper at their Hall for the benefit of the Lodge At the Quarterly election the following officers were elected: Isaac McReynolds, W. T.; C. A. Morgan, N. F.; Wm. Hampton, P. N. G.; C. B. Harrison, P. Q.; J. Williams, W.; C. Bridges, I. G.

ILL REQUITED AFFECTION.
Youthful Suitor—"If you doan want to go wid me, all right, but doan try to ring a bluff on me, See?"

DIED AT THEIR POST,

Three Colored Fireman Buried in the Debris.

Nashville, Tenn., Special to The Fresman.

A half million dollar fire occurred here on the night of the 2d, instant. A whole block of the finest buildings in the city went to ruins. Three colored firemen went with it, namely: Capt Charles C Gowdy, Stokely Allen and Harvey Ewen. A seven story brick wall fell on them, burying them under ten feet of debris. The remains of the dead men were found after twenty-four hours of unceasing labor. Only the charred trunks of the men could be found, the head, arms and legs were gone, no trace of them could be found. All were men of families, who are completely prostrated and inconsolable. Words cannot picture the awful scene, as these men went down in full view of a thousand friends, who stood horror stricken. Some consolation is found in the genuine friendship of the whites in their proposal to raise a purse for the families of the unfortunate men. In doing this, the white people of Nashville demonstrate satisfactorily to us that in a matter of humanity and the justifiable recognition of meritorious conduct, a fellow feeling make us all one; and I take the responsibility to say that all colored men, and they are all Gowdy's friends, will see to it that whenever the interest of these benefactors is at stake, they will find in us a factor of relief that cannot be counted in dollars and cents. Willing hands will brave dangers untold for the protection of the interests of the good citizens of Nashville, for you know the Negro is no coward, nor is he ungrateful. Capt Gowdy's place can never be filled among his people. It is an aching void which time and eternity can only heal. May God in his infinite mercy protect and care for his good wife and boy, is my prayerful wish.

Fare-well, friend Charles,
You're gone
To that bourne
From whence no man returns.
No more we'll see your honest face,
Nor hear your voice, save in memory.
Hushed be thy griefs, dear wife,
Dry be thy tears; oh say
Is not the reward most bountiful
In God's manifold promise to man?
Martyr thou wert to duty, Charles,
Wife and boy bereft,
How sad to say fare-well,
Dear husband, father, friend.

PATTON.

Gasden, Ala.

Miss Bessie Lancy went to Irondale with her brother Alfonzo, to spend a few days with her sister, Mrs Robust, Mrs Lila King leaves Jan 4th, to spend a few days with her husband. Wm, King, in Decatur, Ala, Mr B S Ford and Miss Ella Mayor were married December 3rd, Mrs Jeannie Comitt is ill, Mrs Emmaline Posey left for her former home, Bessemer, We hope she will continue to patronize THE FREEMAN,

Lodges Install Officers.

Mayfield, Ky. Special to The Freeman,

Mayfield Lodge No, 1775 G. U. O. of O. F. gave a public installation in their Hall, Dec. 28th, Officers installed as follows:

J. H. Fleming, P. N. F.; Z T. Ractliff, N. F.; Samuel Curter. P. N, F.; A Q Green, N G.; E.. R. Simms, V, G.; G, W. Taylor, E. S. Mr. G. W. Carr spent the holidays in St. Louis, Mo. Messrs Chas. Cook and John O'Neal of Paducah, Ky. spent Christmas in our city. Mr. S. A. Mayes has been appointed agent for the D. H, Baldwin Piano and Organ Co. of Louisville, Ky. D. J, Ridgomy spent Christmas in Martin, Tenn, Harriett Cargie, Allice Mayes, and Dora Simms are on the sick list, Misses Annie Andrews, Lena Robertson, and Mrs. R, McNuly of Paducah, Ky., are visiting in this city. Miss Minnie Carman and Donie Slayden left the city Dec. 30th to visit several weeks at Cairo, Ill. Nathaniel Andrews and Jerry Carter are on the sick list.

Wife Beaters.

Evanston, Ill.. Special to The Freeman.

Holiday week among the colored people o Evanston was quiet, at the two churches Christmas trees gladdened the hearts of the little ones. A party was given by Mrs. Morris of Lake street on Wednesday last, but the pleasure of the evening was marred by the appearance of seven or eight uninvited persons, though forbidden they were treated with as much courtesy by the hostess as her suppressed indignation would allow. They should each be presented with a copy of "Our deportment" or some other work on etiquette. Evanston has been disgraced with another wife beating affair both having taken place inside of two weeks. These men should be taught that they cannot whip their wives in this community and still move in its society. As the pulpit is silent. on the matter every where, why not let the public press take this class of men in hand and see if this too often occuring shame can be abated? Mr. Wm. Key is visiting his sister Mrs. E. A. Owen of Greenwood Boulevard. Mrs Jophin has returned from the funeral of her brother-in-law, Rev. C. S. Jacobs, at Decatur. Mr. H. M. Taylor of Maple Avenue has gone on a visit to his relatives in London Ont. There has been much sickness in town but all are improving.

Madison, Ind.

La grippe victims in this city are numerous. The entertainment at Ebenezer church Christmas Eve,, was a success. The Cantata of Santa Claus, was pleasing. Great credit is due Mrs. E. A. Whiie for the manner in which the exercises were conducted The entertainment at the Second Baptist church was a success.

Gadsden, Ala.

Henry McGuire was killed by the cars Dec. 20th. He leaves a wife and one child. Miss Mary E Reese was drowned in the Coose river on the 24th, ult., near this city. Mrs. Smith of Mobile, is visiting Mrs. McCummings. Miss Bessie Dancy is visiting relatives in Irondale, Ala. There was a Christmas tree at the C. M. E. church.

Decatur, Ill.

Miss Cora Dabney. of Jacksonville, is visiting her friend, Miss Ella Scott. Mrs Annie Buckner, of Vandalia, is spending the holidays with her daughter in this city. Miss Laura White has returned from Peoria, where she has been spending the holidays. Miss Brooker, of Mattoon, is visiting the family of Ex-Supervisor Rogan. Misses Amanda Versalles and Dora Woodfork gave a New Year's party to their friends.

Glasgow, Ky.

A great many citizens of this town have fallen a victim to la grippe. We have lost a christian lady Mrs. Eliza Chrenshaw. Our sick are as follows: H. Shirley, U. S. Kennue, Miss Cora A. Butler, Miss Lulu Bibee, Mr Samuel Ray and others Miss Ella Odon of Ohio, closed a successful school at Georgetown Ky., and will shortly return to Wilberforce. The closing exercises of H. F. Dumsmere reflects much credit to himself and pupils. Oak Grove district furnishes five talented vocalists whose motto is Excelsior, namely, Messrs Thom Moss, Baritone; J. Meddows, tenor; Joe Bush, soprano; E. Buggustaff, bass; this quartette furnishes delightful music on all occasions. Miss S. E. Duerson will take her departure shortly to Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn. Joseph E. Bush will attend scoool at Wilberforce University. Miss C. R. Wells is improving.

Resigned His Position.

Springfield, Mass. Special to The Freeman.

Jacob Morrison, one of our old citizens, was buried last Tuesday, The la grippe is still raging here. The Third Baptist Sunday School raised about fifty-five dollars at their rally. Master Zarah Freeman Jr. spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Martin of New Haven Conn. The concert given by the Mozart Singing Club, at Graves Hall was not a financial success, notwithstanding Mr. Coleman worked hard. Joseph Gray, for eleven years porter in West, Stone & Co, has resigned his position. A, T. Dickson has opened a restaurant in connection with his fruit store at the corner of Maine and Morris Streets. Mr. Simpson of Wayland Seminary Washington, D. C., has been visiting in our city. Norman Johnson, the barber formerly of Richmond, Va. spent his first Christmas in New England, Pastor Brown thinks he will be in his new church soon.

Henderson. Ky.

Mrs P H Kennedy is spending the holidays in Louisville, Mr F Soaper is suffering with a broken arm, Mrs R Mitchell is down with La Grippe, Miss Hannie Briggs, of Bowling Green, and Miss Lizzie Ausbone, of Earlington, are the guests of Miss Lucie Harris, 321 S. Green St. Miss Waddill, of Evansville, is visiting Mrs Mary Elliott, Miss Mattie Starling returned from Evansville last Thursday, Mrs Robert Watson was buried Thursday, Miss Briggs returned home Saturday, Miss Susie Harris will visit friends in Owensboro next week, The young ladies club gave an enjoyable card party Thursday evening. in honor of the visiting guests, Miss Briggs, of Bowling Green and Miss Doxey, of Nashville, Miss Doxey is the guest of her brother, D F Doxey, The Misses Cabelle returned to Nashville, Janurary 1st, where they are attending school, N. B. Write on one side of the paper only. (ED.)

Holiday Gaities.

Charleston, W. Va., Special to The Freeman.

The First Baptist church had a Christmas tree, also the M E church Both had interesting exercises by the Sunday School and teachers, Hon M H Jones addressed a large audience here recently, Mr Jones is a promising young lawyer, S W Starks, of Covington. O., Robert E Lee, of a Michigan Medical college, Mr Johnson, of Huntington, W Va, Mrs James. Mrs Green, Miss Leola and Ada Moss, visited our city during the holidays, Miss Anna Bolden and Mr Henry Thomas were married last Tuesday evening, by the brides father. The bride was wore a white Gross Grain silk, with pearl ornaments, She was attended by four maids of honor, and the groom, two best men, The Masonic lodge gave a banquet December 29th, which was largely attended, Mrs Foolkes entertained a company of friends on the 27th. Mrs M A Snyder gave a reception on the 27th. Space forbids the mention of the guest present at either place, Mrs S E Foolks also entertained on the 1st of Jan Mrs P B Rirbrige on Jan 2nd Mrs George Walker and Mrs Cora Anderson's little boy are ill.

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Man—"Hold on, there!"
Dog—"I am."

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The United States circuit court at Boston, Mass., was opened on the 1st. inst., with prayer by Rev. R. H. Hurdey, a colored minister.

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Rev. W. Senna, of Leesburg, Va., dreamed of seeing a large deposit of mineral paint on the farm of Dr. S. Carter, a white neighbor. Investigation proved he had dreamed aright.

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At Crawfordsville, Ind., in the midst of the sermon at the Bap'ist church, an officer entered to arrest a man wanted in Illinois for murder Evans who was there with his sweetheart, sprang upon the altar, and as the officer advanced leaped upon him with a razor and then started for the door. The officer fired. The first shot brought him to his knees. The congregation shrieked and prayed during the fight, but the preacher went right on with his sermon.

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Right Rev. Samuel Adjai Crowther, D. D., Bishop of Niger Territory, is dead. He was a native African, and his history, extending over seventy years or more, from a state of abject servitude to the Episcopate, is a very romantic one. His original name was Adjai and his family lived at Ochugu in the Yorubu country, 100 miles inland from the Bight of Benin. He was carried off in 1821 by the Eyo Mahometans, was exchanged for a horse, was again exchanged for Darda, where he was treated with great cruelty, was then again sold as a slave for some tobacco, and captured by an English man-of-war and landed on Sieria Leone in 1822. He was bap'ized in 1825, taking the names of the evangelical vicar of Christ church, Newgate street, Samuel Crother. In 1829 he married a native girl who had been taught in the same school with him Then for several years he served as school master of Regenstown, and subsequently accompanied the first Niger expedition. After arriving in England he began studying at the church missionary college at Islington. He was ordained by the Bishop of London. In 1854 he accompanied the second Niger expedition and wrote a very able account of it. He was afterward an active clergyman at Akessa, translated the Bible into Yorubs, and undertook various other literary works of a religious character for the benefit of the African brethren. He was consecrated first bishop of Niger territorry, West Africa, June 26, 1864 In May, 1880, the council of the Royal Geographical Society awarded a gold watch to Bishop Crowther "in recognition of the services he has rendered to geography."

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NEW KIND OF FLY.

Rocks Struck It and Found It Uncommonly Interesting.

Rocks is a pug, well-bred, calm and dignified. He never does any thing that is not good form for a pug, except to catch flies. He likes to lie on the porch and enjoy the light and air, and on such occasions he is particularly resentful of the annoyance caused by flies. It would be sheer robbery of any fly life insurance company to take out a policy on the life of a fly that it was known would ever attempt to light on Rocks' nose. Rocks does not look like a dangerous dog, according to the New York Sun, and when he is asleep, or half asleep, it seems impossible for him to move suddenly Many a fly has lost his life by trusting to this appearance; there has been prospective satisfaction at the thought of biting so fat a dog, and in the giddy fly's mind an added pleasure over the chance to worry one so self-satisfied and decorous; but when Rocks, awakening without warning from what appears a profound slumber, snaps, the fly is lost.

It is to be regretted that Rocks' information concerning flying things is not more extended; if it were he would have been spared an experience on Thursday that for a time seriously disturbed him. While he was lying on the porch a wasp came along. It was just an ordinary wasp, but like all wasps, self-assertive and defiant, and, as subsequent events demonstrated, its storage battery was full and its machinery in order. It sailed around Rocks' nose with smooth recklessness for fifteen or twenty seconds. Rocks seemed asleep, but the wasp really didn't care whether he was or not. Rocks thought it was a particularly ill-mannered and overgrown fly. He snapped at it and got it.

About three seconds later Rocks stood up; he looked careworn and his tail was out of curl. He turned his head slowly toward the open door, and looked as though he thought he would go inside for awhile, where the flies were less intrusive. He stoood undecided for a moment, and then

THE NEW HOUSE.

Professions and Birthplaces of the Members of That Body.

The new congressional directory shows that the stated occupations of the members of the house indicates the law to be the widest doorway into congress. Some of the members are engaged in two or three occupations, or have been. The record shows that 213 have practiced law, 65 know something about agriculture, 42 have taught school, 24 are merchants, 20 are manufacturers, 19 are bankers and capitalists, 10 are journalists, 9 could set type if they had to, 5 are physicians, 3 are sailors, 2 are ministers, while of miners, machinists, blacksmiths, bookbinders, carpenters, tanners, car finishers and harnessmakers there are just one each. The rest are politicians. Sixty-five members served in the union army, and 56 were with the confederacy in body and spirit. New York claims the honor of contributing more of her sons to the house than any other state, there being 41 representatives who were born in the Empire state. Other states furnished legislators for themselves and sister states as follows: Pennsylvania, 38; Ohio, 28; Indiana, 18; Massachusetts, 17; Kentucky, 15; Virginia, 14; North Carolina, 13; Georgia, 12; Tennessee, 11; South Carolina, 10; Illinois, 8; Alabama, 7; Maine, Mississippi, Michigan, Maryland and Missouri, 6 each; Connecticut and New Jersey, 5 each; Wisconsin, Vermont and Louisiana, 4 each; Arkansas and Rhode Island, 2 each; Florida, California and Delaware, 1 each. Kentucky and New Mexico were the birthplaces of two of the territorial delegates. Representatives Mallory, of Florida; Steward, of Illinois; Waugh, of Indiana; W. C. P. Breckinridge and J. H. Wilson, of Kentucky; Adolph Meyer, of Louisiana; Isidore Rayner, of Maryland; Castle, of Minnesota; John J. O'Neill, of Missouri; Shouk, of Pennsylvania; Roger Q. Mills, of Texas; Grout, of Vermont; Buchanan, of Virginia; Pendleton, of West Virginia, and Babbitt, of Wisconsin, have neglected to state where they were born. Foreign countries have contributed 21 members and 2 delegates. They are distributed as follows: Ireland, 9; Germany, 3; Canada, 3; Norway, 2; Sweden, 1; Greece, 1; England, 1, and Scotland, 1. One of the territorial delegates is from the Isle of Man; another hails from Nova Scotia.

HUNTS WITH EAGLES.

An Indian Boy Has Two Birds Which Bring Him Big Game.

An Indian boy belonging to the Sioux tribe at Pine Ridge agency, S. D., has a pair of pets which are not only strange and interesting, but are useful as well. These are two large bald eagles. The young Indians here, says a letter from Pine Ridge, are fond of hunting, but are not allowed to own or carry guns, and the result is they are compelled to use the bow and arrow, which they use with great expertness. The boy shot and wounded an old eagle. It flew to its nest and he followed until he saw where the home of the bird was. He then killed the wounded bird and waited until its mate appeared and also killed it. Climbing to the nest, he found two young birds, which he carried home with him and began a course of training which has resulted in his having the birds so fully under control that they come and go at his command. He takes them out, and when he sights any quarry he turns his eagles loose after fastening their beaks so that they cannot eat the animal, and the birds immediately give chase and bring down the prey.

The eagles are now about a year and a half old and are so strong that they can bring down a fawn. The boy is the most successful hunter of the tribe and never goes out without bringing home some game, from a rabbit to a deer. The officers at the fort want the eagles and have offered the boy what must have appeared fabulous sums for them, but he has steadily refused all offers. The boy's father was killed during the last Indian troubles, and since then he has been the support of his mother, three brothers and sister. He is so successful in his hunting that he sells a great deal at this place, and if he continues he will become one of the wealthiest Indians of the tribe.

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Some time ago where was unearthed in Egypt a roll of papyrus, the hieroglyphics on which having been deciphered were found to give an account of a strike which took place among the workmen on a temple in the days of the Ptolemies, which in many respects bears a strong resemblance to the labor troubles of to-day. As further proof that there is nothing new under the sun the British museum has just published a volume containing the text of a number of manuscripts of classical authors which have been unearthed in Egypt. One of these is a collection of poems written by Herodes, a native of Cos, in the eastern Egean, who lived two hundred and fifty years before the Christian era; and after reading the verses the conclusion will be arrived at that there was a great deal of human nature in ancient Greece, and that the people did not differ very much from those of the nineteenth century.

It is related of Charles Lamb that once, as he sat watching Coleridge delivering one of his metaphysical monologues to a tired listener, the stuttering humorist said: "Never mind Coleridge; it's only his fun." It would be a very difficult task to extract amusement from the writings of philosophers like Plato and Socrates, or dramatists like Sophocles and Euripides; yet there must have been some fun in those old Greeks, opines the Philadelphia Record. Aristophanes wrote comedies and Theo compiled a comic lexicon; and ill-natured and censorious people have been heard to say that the jokes sometimes heard to-day at minstrel shows and in farce comedies undoubtedly served to cause a laugh in the days of Solon and Lycurgus.

The discovered poems of Herodes are of a humorous character, and are chiefly in the form of dialogues. One of them, which is entitled "The Matchmaker," shows how a young woman whose husband was away on a long journey was visited by an old woman who endeavored to persuade her to secure a sort of Dakota divorce and marry a very nice young man whom she had met that summer at the Ægean seashore. Then we have a mother leading her unwilling boy to the schoolmaster, and explaining to that functionary how, in spite of all that she could do, he would persist in going off swimming, tying melodious cans to dogs' tails and throwing Greek fireballs into the tub occupied by the philosopher, Diogenes. In another poem there is a dialogue between two fashionable ladies living on Mars Hill, which bears a strong resemblance to the feminine gossip heard in parlors and drawing-rooms to-day.

The servant girl question was evidently as burning an issue two thousand years ago as it now is, for the two Grecian dames began to compare notes and to tell how the housemaid would persist in going off to the Olympian games and how the cook burned the roasts and got drunk just on the eve of a grand dinner to be given to the famous painter, Apelles. Then, forgetting their troubles, they take to discussing the fashions and the bargains to be had on the Athenian Eighth street, and how they intend to trim the fall dresses and bonnets.

In the next poem we find them in a shoe store, turning over and trying on the goods and endeavoring, just like their modern sisters, to get a No. 4 foot into a No. 2 shoe. How they succeeded can only be conjectured, a convocation of worms having eaten up the rest of the manuscript. As pictures of ancient life, and of an age which has generally been considered one of ideal culture and philosophy, these poems afford a closer insight into everyday Greek life than even the recently-discovered treatise of Aristotle on the Athenian constitution.

HE EARNED THE CLOTHES.

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"Bill! What bill?"

"Why, this little bill for your son's clothes."

"But, good gracious! I haven't any son."

"What? That fellow that just went upstairs isn't your son? Why, he came to our store, bought a suit of clothes and said if I came down with him his mother would pay for them."

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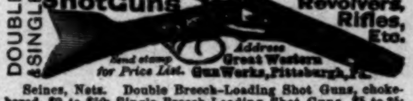

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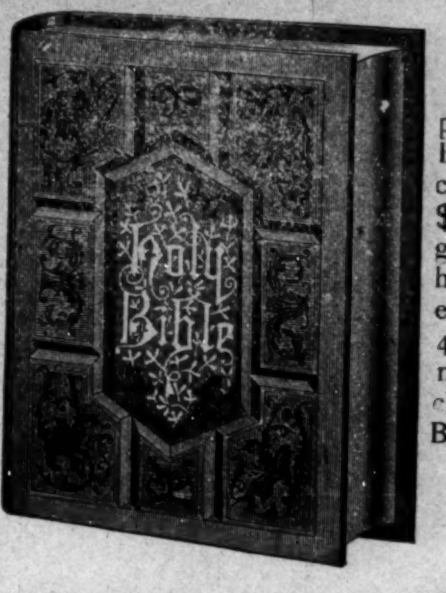

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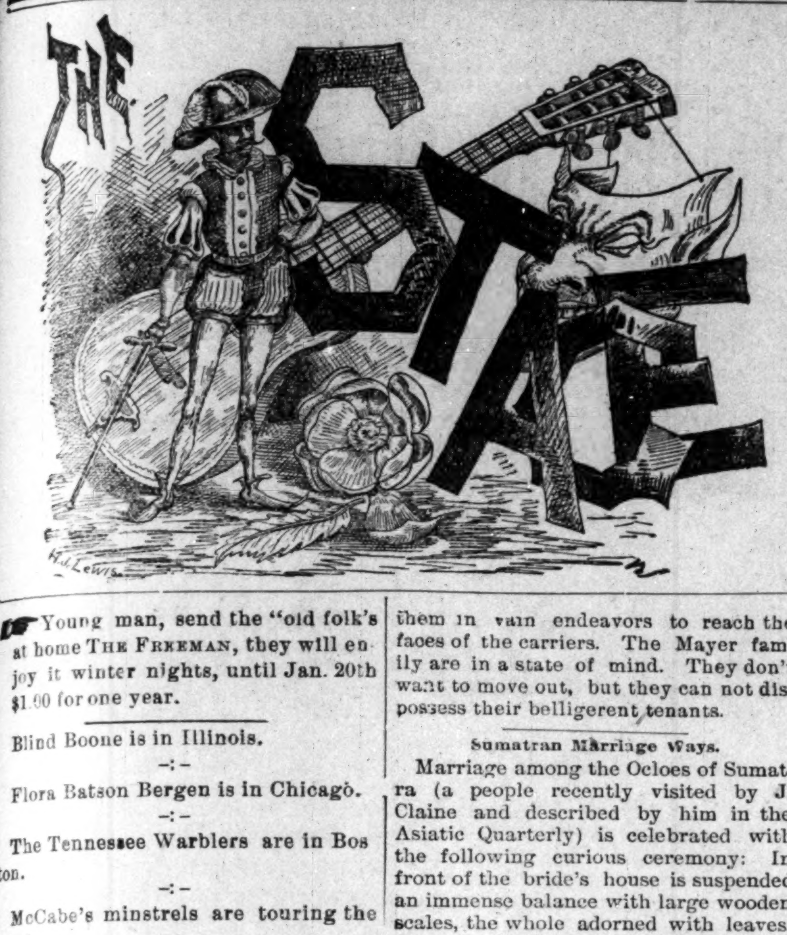

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Flora Batson Bergen is in Chicago.

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The Tennessee Warblers are in Boston.

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McCabe's minstrels are touring the south.

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Helena Ark., has a 12-year-old cornetist.

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Arkansas has an Afro-American ventriloquist.

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Blind Tom will appear in Florida at an early date.

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Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis is in North Carolina.

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Bethlehem, a sacred cantata, is very popular in the east.

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Fred Simpson, of Indianapolis, is a finished trombonist.

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Miss Ednora Nahar appeared in New York recently.

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The Fisk Jubilee singers will visit Australia in the spring.

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The Excelsior cornet band of Cleveland, is the finest in Ohio.

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Mme. Sisseretta Jones, the African prima dona, is in the east.

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Prof. White, of Boston, is considered the leading pianist at the "Hub."

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New York local talent produced the cantata of "Queen Esther" recently.

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The Star Concert company appeared in New York, Mme. Jennie Stewart prima donna.

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The Williams Comedy company presented the drama "Miles Arone" at Cape Girardean, Mo., recently.

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Albrieto Clariso, a Guatemalian, travels with the Julia Marlowe company, taking all parts requiring a dark hue.

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A. A. Anderson, of Kansas City, Mo., takes the leading part in the play "Gio the Tyrian Armorer," of which he is author.

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Mrs. Lillian Thomas, elocutionist, of Indianapolis, is not traveling this season, having acceptsd the position of assistant editor of THE FREEMAN.

☞ The Holidays are soon over and presents laid aside, but THE FREEMAN is a weekly visitor the year around. Only $1.00 a year until the 20th of January, at ths urgent request of agents and individuals desirous of organizing clubs.

BELLIGERENT OWLS.

They Run Things to Suit Themselves on a New Jersey Farm.

A plague of owls has for two weeks disturbed the peace of John Mayer's home in the outskirts of Plainfield, N. J., according to a special in the Globe-Democrat. The first appearance of the owls was noticed by one of Mr. Mayer's sons, who in romping about the barn discovered a nest of the young birds. There were no larger owls in sight, and the boy made one of the owlets captive and carried it to the house. His mother compelled him to restore it to its nest. He had no sooner placed it with the others than one of the older birds appeared and attacked him furiously, beating him in the face with its wings and scratching him with its claws and bill. Shielding himself with his arms, the lad ran away. The owl left him at the barn door. That afternoon one of the young ladies of the family had occasion to visit the carriage house, where a great owl flew down and alighted on her back. She shook it off with difficulty, and in the struggle had her garments torn.

Since then owls have taken complete possession of the outbuildings and their surroundings. Scores of the birds, which are of the day-owl species, have followed the first comers and have made their nests in the barn. Several have been killed, but this seems only to make the others more fierce. Even the men dare not venture near the nesting places without masks or other protection. The novel defense of umbrellas has been at last adopted, and now when any member of the Mayer family visits the owls' castle he holds a parachute over his head. Already three umbrellas have been ruined by the birds dashing against them in vain endeavors to reach the faces of the carriers. The Mayer family are in a state of mind. They don't want to move out, but they can not dispossess their belligerent tenants.

Sumatran Marriage Ways.

Marriage among the Ocloes of Sumatra (a people recently visited by J. Claine and described by him in the Asiatic Quarterly) is celebrated with the following curious ceremony: In front of the bride's house is suspended an immense balance with large wooden scales, the whole adorned with leaves. On one of these scales the parents of the girl have deposited fruit, fuel for the hearth, some cocoanuts and a little kid. On the corresponding scale the bridegroom should deposit before sundown the presents which he makes to his intended till the balance sinks in his favor. At this very moment the girl leaves the house, approaches the bridegroom with the acclamation of those present, and the ceremony is concluded by a meal in common and by dances of very monotonous rhythm, the cadences of which are accompanied by the movements of the body.

The above diagram of a vacuum is inserted to aid in conveying some idea of how suddenly Rocks moved. He went so fast that he left a hole in the air. In that moment while he had stood irresolute the resolute wasp had hooked on its storage battery and started every thing at once, buzz saws, gang saws, electric light plant, pulp machinery, and all, and Rocks jumped so quickly that he was invisible until he landed ten feet away.

It is mean to laugh at a dog, and Rocks knows that his friends do not delight in his discomfiture; and if the somersault that he began to turn immediately after his first landing had been simply the ordinary flip-flaps, either forward or backward, no mention would be made of them here, but they were of the variegated compound type, half over one way and then back, three-quarters and reverse, both ways at once, and all accompanied by a general centrifugal movement that threatened to distribute Rocks in space.

In another moment Rocks came down and opened his mouth. This was a wise thing to do, and while it seems doubtful that it was the result of reflection, yet it may be that Rocks had given the subject such hurried consideration as was possible under the circumstances, and, having shown this fiy that he could catch it, had concluded that there are times even in a pug dog's life when it is the part of wisdom to concede a point, especially a point of this nature. When he opened his mouth the wasp flew out and disappeared, and with his tail in full curl and his natural dignity restored, Rocks walked back to his accustomed place.

DUEL WITH LARIATS.

Exciting Battle to the Death Between Infuriated Mexican Cowboys.

A novel duel was fought near Moore's station between two Mexican cowboys named Jose Carrasco and Manuel Bosco, says the Louisville Courier-Journal. Carrasco was in possession of a fine mottled cow which Bosco claimed belonged to him and had been stolen some time previous. The two men met in the roadway. They were both on horseback and their lariats hung from the pommels of their saddles. Bosco hailed Carrasco and demanded the return of his cow. The latter became furious at the suggestion that he had come into possession of a stolen cow, and his Mexican blood began to boil. Words of a sulphurous nature began to pass between the cowboys, when Bosco called Carrasco a liar.

Scarcely had the words been spoken when quick as a flash the irate Carrasco grasped his lasso from his saddle, and, twirling it with a quick movement over his head, sent it with a swish toward Bosco's neck. The latter ducked his head and grabbed his lariat as he did so.

Then began one of the fiercest bloodless battles that has ever been recorded. Up and down the roadway the two horsemen dashed, the lassoes of the duelists flying and circling in the air. Not a word was spoken. As fast as the lassces fell short of their mark they were jerked quickly together, and with a twirl over the head each cowboy endeavored to encircle the other's neck.

The horses were flecked with foam, and both of them dashed away in the same direction, seeming to realize the fight to the death going on between the riders. On sped the horses, but not a word spoke the fighters. Bosco finally turned his eyes from the other cowboy for an instant, and, quick as a flash, Carrasco dropped the noose of his lariat over his adversary's neck, swung his pony around with a jerk, and putting spurs to the animal, started off in the opposite direction.

Bosco was jerked from his horse's back so suddenly that his neck was broken, and he was dragged over the ground at full speed for over a mile. The victor disengaged his lariat from his victim's neck and coolly rode into town.

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A VALUABLE CAT.

The Feline Protector of a Lone Old Lady.

How the Intelligent Animal Disposed of a Pair of Midnight Marauders Who Were on Mischief Bent.

An old lady living alone in a large and dreary house in the western suburbs has just told some of the neighbors of an attempt to bulgarize her house a few nights ago and the marvelous manner in which the attempt was thwarted, says a Denver correspondent of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. The woman is well known to possess considerable money, as the income from her property far exceeds her simple expenses, and, as she has a horror of banks, it is the general impression that she keeps the money somewhere about the house. She is quite alone, except for a servant woman, who comes in the morning and does the work, returning to her home at night. There is not even a dog on the place, the old lady having the greatest antipathy for them. She is apparently unprotected through the night, but events have proved that she is pretty well guarded after all. She is always followed by an enormous cat, brindle and white, rejoicing in the name of Dot. He weighs at least sixteen pounds, and always attracts a great deal of attention on account of his size, but he allows no one to touch him but his mistress.

On several occasions, when dogs have strayed into the premises, Dot has attacked them with such fury as to send them howling and bleeding from the place. Dot's mistress has just told the story which shows that Dot is as brave as a lion, and that he has great presence of mind. "The other night," she says, "I wasn't feeling well, and went to bed as soon as the servant left. I sleep upstairs in the south room. Before going to bed I went all round below stairs, and fastened every door and window, just as I always do. Dot was sleeping on my bed, just as he always has done all his life. Away in the night I was awakened by a sudden motion he made, and I found when I put my hand on him that he had raised his head and was listening, trembling all over, he was so nervous. I thought he heard a rat, and was about to go to sleep again when he sprang to his feet and stood beside me, growling once very low. Then I listened too, and I distinctly heard stealthy footsteps creeping up the stairs. I was so frightened that a smothering sensation came over me, and I came near dying right there. In all the years I had lived there alone such a thing had never happened before. I could hear the stealthy footsteps come up to the top of the stairs, and then a hand went feeling along the wall for the door of my room. Directly he found the door, and then the hand went feeling for the latch, and, having found it, turned it slowly, slowly, and the door opened. I knew well enough that I was going to be killed—that I would be murdered in a few minutes, but I could not move or even scream. I just lay there as though I were dead. I heard the feet begin to move slowly, softly across the floor toward my bed, and soon he was touching the bed, and I closed my eyes, expecting the final blow. And just at that moment Dot made an awful leap, and I am sure he must have landed square on that man's head, for of all the wild yells that ever came from a mortal throat that was the worst. 'Dick! Dick! Come an' help. The devil's got me!' he screamed, and ran for the door. Dot jumped off, but the man must have been blinded with blood, for he missed his footing at the top and fell down the whole flight. At the bottom Dot pounced upon him again, and when his comrade ran to his assistance Dot gave him a taste, and I heard him swear that the whole top of his head was torn off. The first robber was carried out groaning by way of the cellar window. I didn't notify the police. I didn't think it was necessary. I don't know how they found out how everything in the house was situated, and I don't care. They won't try it again."

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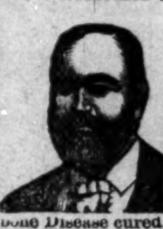

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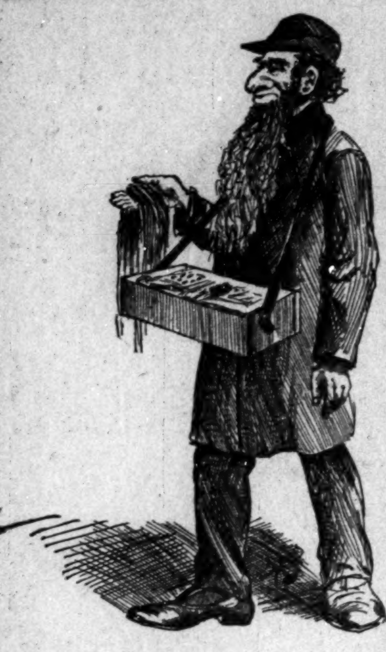

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SOME PEOPLE.

This is leap year.

Mrs. Cyrus Allen is convalescing.

Jas. Woods of Chicago, is in the city.

Mrs. Nellie Morpin, nee Lewis, is quite ill.

Jno. Jackson has returned from Chicago.

Jas. Patridge, of Terre Haute, is in the city.

Mrs. Essie Fry Cook has returned to the city.

Ernest Osburn spent last Sunday in Louisville.

R. W. Vaughn will take the road for **The Freeman.**

Miss Celia Bass has returned from a visit to Connersville.

The city's death rate for December was tota 101, colored 22.

Laura Ogilvie has returned to her school in Fairfield, Ky.

Mrs. Wm. Sullivan and Miss Georgia Brown are to wed soon.

Jas. Day, of Terre Haute, visited this city during the holidays.

Mrs. Jennie Mitchell arrived home from Danville, Ky., very sick.

Santa Claus left a fine boy at the home of John Smith, Prin, 23,

The husband of Mrs. Lucinda Hayden, teacher at No. 18, is very ill.

Rev. J. W. Carr was unable to fill his pulpit last Sabbath—la grippe.

Mrs Susie Miller, teacher at No. 24 is confined to her bed with la grippe.

Rev. R. T. Anderson of Louisville, former pastor of Blackford, is very ill.

Mrs. Eliza Goff, Grand-ma Arnett and Mrs. Fannie Hill are on the sick list.

Mr. Jasper, one of our old citizens, who has been seriously ill is convalscent.

Rev. J. H. Clay continues in poor health although not confined to his room.

Mrs. J. C. Ferrell, after a pleasant visit to her sister, has returned to her home.

Otto Gibbs has sccepted the foremanship of the Grand Hotel tonsorial parlors.

The Ninth Presbyterian Church will organize a literary society in the near future.

Luther Clement, who has been sick for several months, is still confined to his bed.

Fire bugs attempted to burn the house of John Goins cor. Ohio and West street,

William Mathews, a well known citizen of Terre Haute, has been adjudged insane,

Rev. J. M. Morton of the Antioch Baptis Church, has commenced a series of meetings.

Miss Leota Jefferson will spend the winter with her uncle, Chas. Thomas, at Washington, Iowa.

Messdames Minnie Lewis, Allen Swift, Cavanaugh, Mr. Register, the contractor, are on the sick list.

Isasc Moten, traveling representative of the Catholic Tribune, visited **The Freeman** office last Saturday.

Dr. Perry will establish a branch office in this city in the near future; still holding his practice at Franklin, Ind.

Wallace Powell was sentenced Tuesday to 90 days in the work house and $100 fine for whipping his sister Alice Tounsend,

The P. N. F. Club. G. U. O. of O. F. will give its first grand Promenade Concert at Odd Fellows Hall, Thursday evening Jan. 21st for the purpose of buying uniforms for the club.

Captain Goudy, ex-legislator who was burried under a burning building at Nashville, Jan. 2nd, was the husband of Mrs. C. C. Goudy, who appeared in the musical festival in this city last May.

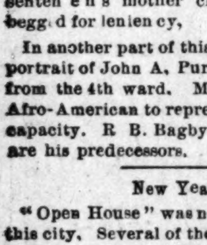
Henry Hart was sentenced to eight years in prison last Tuesday for criminal assault on 13 year old Daisy Williams, upon hearing the sentence his mother clung to the judge and begged for lenien cy,

In another part of this paper will pe found the portrait of John A. Puryear, Councilman elect from the 4th ward. Mr. Puryear is the third Afro-American to represent the race in such a capacity. R B. Bagby and Henry Sweetland are his predecessors.

New Year's Calls.

"Open House" was not generally observed in this city. Several of the churches received. A company of ladies entertained at the residence of J. H. Porter, California.

G. L. KNOX'S NEW BUSINESS VENTURE.



From a one chair barber shop in the village of Greenfield a few years ago, with a nail-keg for a water-tank, to the proprietorship of the Bates and Grand Hotel barbershops of this city, is a pretty long business stride, but such is the fact, and the man who accomplished it is Indianapolis' most progressive business man in the person of George L. Knox. The fame of the tonsorial parlors of the Bates has crossed the Union as one of the most complete and elegant in the country, and within the next few days, Mr. Knox having taken charge of the Grand Hotel shop which has always been run by whites, he will no doubt fit that up as a worthy companion of the Bates. Otto Gibbs will take the foremanship of the new shop, and a bran new corps of first class colored artists. will assist him in its conduct. The place came to Mr. Knox unsought and was fairly urged upon him by the proprietors of the Grand, and it certainly a great compliment to his business and executive qualifications. Mr. Knox deserves well of the "craft" everywhere, for the "colored barber" like the Indian has been for a number of years, slowly driven towards the setting sun, by the hordes of white barbers who have sprung up like mushrooms in a damp atmosphere. He has been more instrumental than all the other colored barbers in saving Indianapolis for the race, and his example will be emulated far and wide in other cities of the land. **The Freeman** wishes him continued success.

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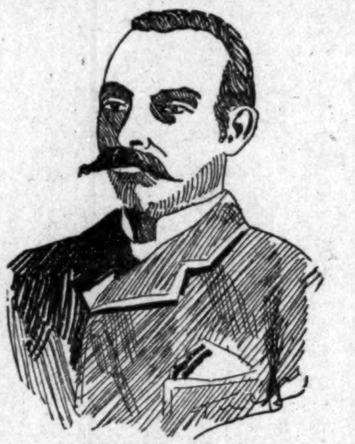

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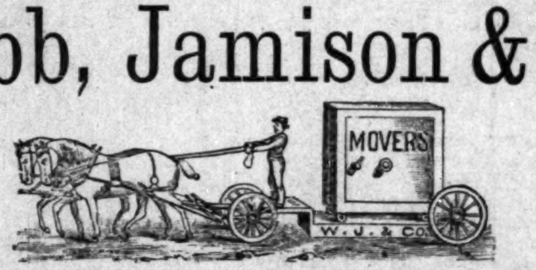

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